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## All Out! Demonstrate on May First!

**Pea Strike  
Over; Gains  
Up to 100%**

**Three Day Struggle  
of 2500 Under  
C&AWIU Lead**

SALINAS, Cal., Apr. 20.—After a three-day fight of more than 2500 pea pickers in this valley, the strikers went back to work with gains up to as high as 100 per cent in pay.

At the call of the Cannery & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, the strikers came out on Tuesday, and quickly brought out more than 85% of those working. A picket line of about thirty cars went through the area around Chualar, Soledad, Greenfield and Gonzales, and ranch after ranch joined in the fight.

Where pay previously was 20c a hamper, the growers, fearful of a 100% tie-up, granted increases ranging from 30c to 50c per hamper. The workers, in returning, are organizing to keep the gains they have won, for the bosses in preparation for the strike had brought in more than 4000 pickers from points as far east as Texas and Oklahoma so as to have twice as many pickers as needed, to keep wages down. At present nearly 2000 are still not working, and are without food or gasoline to take their families elsewhere.

Particularly rotten abuses had made a strike inevitable and the pickers, many of whom had seen the C&AWIU in action before, knew their only chance of victory lay in this rank and file controlled union instead of being misled with the Mexican Labor Assn. The latter refused to join the strike, trying to hold back, in Castoville, until everywhere else had struck, as a way to confuse the pickers and weaken the strikefront. In the fields workers were only paid for number 1 grade peas, which actually meant that after a worker picked four hampers he would see three of them dumped out and get paid for the one. The contractors paid in scrip which was only good in certain stores where the prices were higher, and unless the pickers waited until the end of the week, as most could not do, their scrip was discounted from 8 to 10%.

**Workers Jam Court  
To Fight Frame Up  
of Jobess Leader**

**MORGAN HELD ON \$5000 BAIL  
FOR FORCING CHARITIES  
TO GIVE RELIEF OUT**

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 21.—Trying to set a court precedent to aid the city in its attempt to handle all relief cases of the unemployed, Judge Steiger yesterday held over John Morgan for trial in Superior Court on a framed charge of theft of \$2.10 from a Welfare office visitor, Mrs. Gonzales. Bail was set at \$5000 cash or \$10,000 bond and trial set over for at least one month.

The International Labor Defense is demanding Morgan's release on a writ of habeas corpus. Even under the legal technicalities of capitalism, courts, this charge is not even petty theft, but is a case for superior court, but, declared Judge Steiger "This coercion of the charities by self-appointed leaders of the unemployed must stop."

Charges of vagrancy against Charles White, another member of the Unemployed Council and arrested with Morgan, were dropped. The courtroom and corridors were jammed with workers yesterday.

The arrests followed the turning out of gas and lights by an Unemployed Council delegation for Mrs. Veez, of 130 Jessie St. Mrs. Gonzales, the Welfare office visitor, got police to arrest Morgan and White, and when the charges of disturbing the peace and assaulting an officer were dismissed. The latter charge was put on Morgan when he defended himself against the attack of four or five police in the jail.

At the meeting of the Unemployed Council last night a protest against the beating of Morgan was sent to the police department, together with a demand for the dismissal of the force of Page, the leader of the attack. Morgan was twice attacked, the second time down behind the cells, and beaten up. (Continued on Page 5, Col. 6)

**COME OUT AGAINST HUNGER, WAR, FASCISM**

**May Day  
Meetings**

**San Francisco**

The main demonstration on May Day will be at 1 p. m. in Marshall Green, Civic Center, with columns marching from many part of the city. Mobilization points are:

**FILLMORE**—Jefferson Park, Gough and Eddy, at 11:30.

**NORTH BEACH**—Washington Square, Green and Columbus at 11:30.

**MISSION**—16th and Howard (Van Ness Ave. South) at 11 a. m.

**DOWNTOWN**—Columbia Sq., Russ and Folsom St. at 11 a. m.

**WATERFRONT**—Embarcadero between Market and Mission Sts., at 11:45.

Evening meetings are:

**MISSION**—741 Valencia St., 8 p. m.

**FILLMORE**—1223 Fillmore St., at 8 p. m.

**NORTH BEACH**—1249 Grant Ave., 8 p. m.

**DOWNTOWN and WATERFRONT** will hold a joint meeting at the Knights of the Red Branch Hall, 1133 Mission St., 8 p. m.

**Los Angeles**

Demonstration at the Plaza, Sunset Boulevard and N. Main St. at noon.

Evening mass meeting at the Mason Theatre, 127 So. Broadway at 8 p. m. Sam Darcy, speaker.

**Oakland**

Demonstration at Chabot Park, 11th and Jefferson St. at 2 p. m., from which workers will parade to the Workers Center at 645 22nd St. for an indoor rally at 3:30.

Evening mass meeting at the same address.

**Seattle, Wash.**

Demonstration at Times Sq., 2 p. m., followed by parade to courthouse which will stop at German Consulate en route demanding freedom of Thaelmann.

Evening mass meeting at L. O. G. T. Hall, 1109 Virginia St., 8 p. m.

**Stockton**

Parade and mass meeting at Hunter Square at 11 a. m.

**Sacramento**

Columns of workers will march from different sections to the Plaza for a big mass meeting at 11 a. m.

Evening mass meeting at 912 1/2 J St., 8 p. m.

**San Jose**

Demonstration at 2 p. m. at the El Camino Real (Highway 101) to protest anti-picket ordinance.

At 8 p. m., mass meeting at 81 Post St., in which the Mt. View workers will participate.

**San Mateo**

A united front mass meeting with AF of L and other organizations at 505 B St., at 8 p. m.

**Palo Alto**

Evening mass meeting, Native Sons Hall, 8 p. m. Held jointly by Redwood City and Palo Alto workers.

**Portland, Ore.**

Demonstration at Plaza, 4th and Main St., 3 p. m. Parade following the meeting.

**Shotguns, Tear Gas,  
to Prevent Cannery  
Workers from Strike**

SAN DIEGO, April 23.—Four hundred cannery workers at the Van Camp cannery attempted a walkout this morning but the armed force of the city, armed with shotguns and tear gas kept the workers in the cannery.

Elena Navarotti was arrested. The strike call was issued by the Fishermen's and Cannery Workers Industrial Union.

**WHY THE BOSSES FEAR MAY 1st — WHY THEY LIE**

May First is the day when the fighting forces of the working class throughout the world will pass in review. On that day, for forty-five years, the workers in increasing numbers came out of the factories, mills and fields, in the greatest demonstrations of the year, to voice their demands, marshal their forces for the advance towards a new day—a workers and farmers government.

May Day, 1934, is an outstanding one in the history of the American workers. Why?

Because the following facts are clear to millions:

1.—More than a year of the "New Deal" shows that it brings only more starvation, with 16,000,000 remaining unemployed, wages are lower in contrast to increasing prices, and company unions are forced upon the workers to maintain them in slavery.

2.—Masses of workers have lost faith in the reactionary bureaucrats heading the AF of L, who are no longer able to prevent them from striking. The workers are building their own genuine fighting unions, as seen in the growth of the Trade Union Unity League and the Independent unions, and the strikes under their leadership.

3.—That American Imperialists are preparing more feverishly than ever for a war. For this billions are being spent and are an increasing tax burden on the backs of the working masses and people of small incomes.

4.—The no longer questioned success of the Soviet Union as a builder of Socialism and as leader for world peace, is a contrast to increasing misery in every corner of the capitalist world and the drive towards fascism and war as the only solution of the crisis for the capitalists.

5.—The fact that the influence of the Communist Party of the United States has increased tremendously. The Party is now growing rapidly and as was so evident at its recent convention, it is on the road towards winning leadership over the workers and poor farmers of the U. S.

**Bosses Fear May First Turnout**

Because of these facts, the ruling class of the United States, the bankers, manufacturers, landowners, large growers, and their newspapers and government agents know that workers and the poor farmers will turn out in greater demonstrations on May Day than ever before.

That is why for weeks, preceding May First, a barrage of anti-Communist propaganda was let loose throughout the country, especially through the medium of the biggest capitalist lie-factory, the Hearst chain of newspapers.

The series of articles by the Fascist Easly, on Communist propaganda in the schools, including such nonsense that 90%

of the professors are teaching communism is only an example. For the last two weeks, headlines blared out "disclosing" secret Communist agents in San Francisco, or Los Angeles, with a certain "Red Star" behind the scene. Any one reading the contents of these sensational can see that these are only pure mental creations of cheap publicity seeking individuals, such as Clarence S. Morrill, Chief of State Division of Criminal Identification or of such as the Red Squad man, Engler of San Francisco, and Chief of Police Davis of Los Angeles, whose job is to continually maintain a red scare before the people.

The commission appointed by Governor Rolph to investigate conditions in Imperial Valley, likewise proved that its work was in line with this campaign, by recommending a drive against the "reds" as the solution.

But the high point in this fascist drive was reached Saturday when the San Francisco Examiner came out with its main head "S. F. Red Dynamite Plot Bared". Then follows a story based solely on the lying statement of Morrill, that 70 pounds of dynamite is reported stolen from CWA prospects throughout the State, and that undoubtedly it was the work of Communists planning bombings on May First.

Feeling that its lies are obviously too crude, the same frauds who engineered the story, the following day featured another invention, alleging the find by some (undoubtedly hired) individual of two sticks of dynamite, just about to go off, under a bridge near Sacramento.

**Want to Illegalize Communists**

What is the real reason for such obvious lies? It is because the capitalist class of the United States, and their discredited government agents want to launch a drive to legalize the militant organizations of the workers and the Communist Party. They want to repeat the Palmer raids of 1920. They hope to put down through terror the growing resistance to the starvation deal.

The campaign of lies is only to psychologize the American people, so as to be able to carry through their plans more easily. They are looking back to 1886 when May First was born out of the nation-wide strike offensive for the eight-hour day. They remember how through their provocateurs throwing a bomb in the midst of a workers demonstration in Haymarket Square, Chicago, they were able to use the occasion for a counter-offensive, throughout the country. They are undoubtedly planning a

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**AGRICULTURAL UNION CONV. APRIL 29 - 30**

**Delegates Coming to  
Sacramento from  
Four States**

SACRAMENTO, April 23.—The western district convention of the Sanitary & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union will take place in Sacramento on April 29th-30th at 912 1/2 Eighth street. In addition to representation from most regions of California, delegates are expected from Washington, Oregon and Arizona.

The convention will summarize the experiences during the year's great wave of strikes in the fields and will gear the entire union machinery for the coming crops.

One of the main tasks is to smash the anti-picketing laws enacted in most agricultural counties. A number of strikes under the union's leadership since the laws were adopted indicate that they will be defied with mass strikes.

The convention call was also sent to other organizations among the agricultural workers, who are requested to send delegates, so that the gathering should really express a united mass convention of the workers. In such organizations as the A. F. of L. Vegetable Packers, or the Mexican Union, where the leaders will oppose united action, rank and file groups are called to elect delegates.

**500 Workers in  
Phoenix Protest  
Relief Lay-offs**

**RELIEF HEAD'S RED SCARE  
FAILS TO SPILT THE  
DELEGATION**

PHOENIX, Ariz., Apr. 16.—More than 500 workers, in one of Phoenix's best organized and most militant demonstrations, stormed before the office of Miss Warner, State Relief head here, in a protest against CWA lay-offs and relief cuts. Headed by George Williams, the United Front Committee forced Miss Warner to receive the delegation immediately.

Miss Warner tried to split the unity of the Committee by proposing that only 3 representatives be permitted in her office, but when the workers persistently refused this, she agreed to see the entire committee. For an hour and a half the Committee subjected the relief head to a barrage of questions and demands. Again she tried a split by attempting to engage the members in a discussion of personal issues, and again she was fooled.

During the interview Miss Warner was forced to admit that the government she represents

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**3000 JOIN IN SACRAMENTO PROTEST  
AGAINST 75 PCT. RELIEF SLASH**

**Supervisors Forced to Hear Spokesmen for  
First Time; Promise Increased Fight  
If Demands Not Granted**

**BULLETIN**

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Apr. 23.—More than 4000 workers demonstrated at the courthouse today demanding that the 75% cut of family relief be rescinded. Over 200 police, with tear-gas and bombs, deputy sheriffs and firemen were on hand and attacked the crowd, and many fights occurred as the workers defended themselves. Nora Conklin, spokesman for the delegation before the supervisors was arrested on charges of "disturbing the peace" as were George Strum, Frank Connors, Frank Scott and George Stanley.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Apr. 13.—Three thousand workers led by the Unemployed Council demonstrated before the Board of Supervisors today protesting against the 75% reduction in family relief. Today's demonstration was so large and militant that, for the first time, the Board of Supervisors were forced to receive the elected spokesmen of the committee and hear their proposals. Afraid to turn down their demands in the face of the crowd of unemployed, the Supervisors "tabled" them for consideration next Monday, April 23. An even larger demonstration is expected at this second meeting.

A solid wall of police greeted the demonstrators, with cops from as far away as Lodi brought into Sacramento. The city fire department was mobilized, with fire hose all linked up and ready to turn on the hungry unemployed who had come to demand the right to live. The solid protest (Continued on Page 5, Col. 5)

**Great Victory For  
China Red Army**

CANTON, China, April 23.—A Red Army of 20,000 inflicted a crushing defeat upon the Nanking Nationalist government forces, on the Kiang si-Fukien border.

Dispatches report that the Red Army surrounded and disarmed five of Chiang Kai Shek's regiments with 7,000 men in each. The Nationalists are in complete disorder and are making panic calls to Canton for reinforcements. This victory of the Red Army caps a long series of defeats inflicted upon Chiang Kai Shek's forces since the sixth anti-Soviet drive was inaugurated.

**Sta. Cruz Workers  
Ask Anti - Picket  
Law Be Rescinded**

12 ORGANIZATIONS IN UNITED FRONT; WILL HOLD A DEMONSTRATION

SANTA CRUZ, Cal., Apr. 22.—Continuing the fight against the anti-picketing ordinance in this county, more than two hundred workers held a united front mass meeting Friday night, determined to keep up the fighting of the law. In Monterey Co., the law has already been abolished as a result of the protest of workers.

In the meeting twelve organizations were represented, the majority of them from AF of L unions. The united front is demanding a special meeting of the county supervisors to rescind this anti-labor law, whose sole purpose is to be used as a weapon against picket lines in any agricultural or other strikes in the future. The committee includes many small farmers.

The International Labor Defense who issued the call for the united front is organizing a demonstration against the ordinance. Kasper Bauer, head of the Butchers local, AF of L, will be chairman.

The meeting passed a resolution demanding the immediate release of the worker, Remson, arrested in Watsonville last week on a framed up vagrancy charge.

**Anti - Fascist,  
War Congress  
in S.F. Apr. 29**

**Mass Meeting at Polk  
Hall in the  
Evening**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—Delegates from all over the state will meet in San Francisco Sunday, April 29, two days before May Day, to lay plans for the coordination of work against imperialist war and fascism under the auspices of the California League Against War and Fascism.

Following a series of preparatory meetings, this Congress will lay out plans for concretizing the struggle against war and fascism by means of day-to-day activity. Delegates will return from the Congress to take part actively in the May Day demonstrations in which the fight against war and fascism will be a central slogan.

Starting at noon, a delegate's meeting will be held at the Mission Workers' Neighborhood House, 741 Valencia Street, at which time the work will be planned. That evening, a great mass meeting at Polk Hall in the Civic Auditorium will be held, at which labor and fraternal organizations, churches, students and youth organizations, and "liberal" groups will be represented.

Among the speakers at the meeting will be Rev. Edgar A. Lowther, president of the San Francisco Church Federation; J. Delaney Shoemaker of the International Longshoremen's Association; Dr. Paul Radin of the Artists' and Writers' Union; James Branch of the Communist Party; and Rudie Lambert of the Workers' Ex-Service-men's League.

**Attempt to Frame  
2 Leaders of L. A.  
Custom Tailors**

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 21st.—Trying desperately to break up the solidarity of the striking Customs Tailors, Hynes' Red Squad today arrested Frank Brownstein and Nathan Tendor, strike leaders, and are holding them incommunicado on a framed charge of throwing acid on the cloth of one R. Gonzales, tailor who had not joined in the strike.

The Customs Tailors Union has called upon all tailors working in second-grade shops, who are organized under the AF of L, to support the strike through joint action and to refuse work coming from shops on strike.

**S. F. MEETS AT  
CIVIC CENTER;  
L. A. AT PLAZA**

**Hundreds of Western  
Cities Join World's  
Workers**

Hundreds of thousands of workers throughout the United States will pour out into the streets on May First, to demonstrate with the world's workingclass on that day of struggle and international solidarity.

**Wire May First  
Results**

The Secretaries of May 1st conferences or others in charge of demonstrations and meetings, should wire their results to reach us NO LATER than Tuesday evening.

The Western Worker will come off the press on Wednesday morning.

May First mobilizations this year in western cities will undoubtedly bring the peak of demonstrations in these regions. United Front Conferences in which the Communist Party is the leader, are reported from scores of cities, and many organizations are for the first time joining with militant organizations for May First. Among them are AF of L locals, Socialist Party and Young Peoples Socialist League branches, and

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**S. F. Cooks Solid,  
But Fakers Aim to  
Accept Arbitration**

**"MASS PICKETING MAKES US  
LOOK LIKE COMMUNISTS",  
MISLEADERS SAY**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—The black cloud over the splendid strike of the hotel cooks in this city is the sellout maneuvering of the misleaders—St. Peters, the secretary, and Hugo Ernst, head of the Culinary Joint Board. At the Saturday meeting of the strikers the officials deplored that the leadership of the strike was placed in the hands of the Strike Committee, and said the union was an A. F. of L. organization but "picketing in large numbers made it look like a bunch of Communists." They demanded leadership of the strike. But this was refused by the workers. Then they tried the trick of splitting the Strike Committee into four, each having a special function, which would put the misleaders at the helm, but the workers saw through that as well.

**Strike Committee Rank  
and File.**

The real reason for this attempt is that the Strike Committee is composed of rank and file representatives, with Levine, well known for his militancy, as chairman. The officials then put in a confused manner the proposal that the demands of the workers be placed in the hands of the arbitration board, not the Strike Committee. The vote as counted was 160 for, and 130 against. Levine seeing that this was more than even the total number on strike called for a revote. A second vote was counted in the same manner.

Levine seeing that the workers were really confused on the matter, thereupon declared that he can not do justice to the Strike Committee under such circumstances, and handed in his resignation. Then the issue was brought to a head. The workers would not release rank and file control and refused to accept his resignation.

The workers declare that they will stick for return of the 10% cut, and 44-hour week. A leaflet issued by the rank and file group calling for a general strike of all culinary workers was enthusiastically accepted. The leaflet warned the workers against the tricks of the officials and that Hugo Ernst was scheming to prevent any sympathy strike on the part of the Walters Local, No. 30.

**Portland, Everett,  
Repudiate Sellout  
in I. L. A. Struggle**

**S. F. RANK AND FILE FORCE  
REPORT ON NEGOTIATIONS,  
REFERENDUM**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 24.—The revolt of the rank and file of the International Longshoremen's Ass'n. is growing to large proportions when, following reading of telegrams at last night's meeting of the Portland and Everett locals repudiating the sellout agreement, members in the S. F. local forced the Lewis machine to give a report on the present negotiations.

The board of five have been holding back any reports in an effort to completely put over the sellout. As a result of the fight at the meeting led by the militant rank and file opposition, no decision are binding until approved by a referendum of the longshoremen.

The indignation of the men flared up when Lewis attempted to put over the sellout, denounced as a Communist attack, a letter sent by a rank and file member named White, which exposed their maneuvering. Lewis claimed the letter caused the Portland and Everett action instead of the rottenness of the sellout itself. Though White is a Communist, he expressed the resentment of the members and when his letter was read its exposure of the Lewis machine's sellout attempt was clear in the applause that greeted one longshoreman's shout, "I'm not a Communist but I wish I had guts to be one." So strong was this sentiment that when the fink Boyer rushed up to Lewis and whispered to him, the latter decided not to carry the red

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**Signatures  
Must Be In  
By May 3rd**

**Final Drive for Rest  
of Names at May  
First Meets**

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—Just one week remains to collect the balance of the 23,500 signatures needed to place the Communist Party on the ballot for the gubernatorial elections in California.

The State Election Campaign Committee in its final appeal to put the drive over the top, by utilizing the May First Demonstrations, points out that although the actual number of signatures required, 14,544 is already in, many will be disqualified for one reason or another. At least 9,000 above that number must be in so that the authorities have no excuse for keeping the Party off.

Special representatives sent to all sections of the district report that the seriousness of the situation has aroused hundreds of active workers to go out daily in a house to house canvass. All lists are immediately called in and should be brought to each local election committee headquarters. May 3rd is the deadline.

**Nominating Convention**

The next big task, the committee states, is the Nominating Convention to be held in San Francisco on May 6th, to meet 10 A. M. at 121 Haight Street, and the large mass meeting in the evening at California Hall to launch the campaign.

The convention is to be a large state gathering and will name the workers ticket. The leading candidates named will address the mass meeting. Calls have been sent to hundreds of local and state organizations, and workers are asked to insist that these be taken up on the floor. Such organizations as could not be reached by a call should elect delegate anyway, on the basis of one from each local, and credentials should be sent to the State Campaign Committee, at 37 Grove Street, San Francisco.

Delegates are likewise requested to bring with them the recommendations of their organization for platform planks, and nominations for the only workers ticket in California.



# "Union Iron Works Is Hell," Worker Writes

## LIVES COST NOTHING, BUT SCHWAB GETS \$250,000 A YEAR IN SALARY

### Slave Conditions, Terrific Speed-Up, Dirt, Heat, Result of Dependence on Company Union

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 17.—The worst hell for workers here in San Francisco is the Union Iron Works. For instance, if you are on the inside job, the walls are full of oil and dangerous and slippery. There is only a pretense of cleaning the oil off. It is dark and smoky. There is a great deal of heat on account of the burners, burning the ends off of rivets. The back-ups are hammering away with their air hammers, and the noise is deafening. You choke, you walk on a little piece of steel six inches wide, you trip over electric light wires and hose-lines. You're liable to break a leg any minute. They want to shove in as many men as they can. You have to carry a heavy load of tools. You are all loaded down, and everybody is crowded so much that we are all walking over one another. They put in ventilation, but it isn't enough. You have no idea how the smoke and the oil and the soot and the bright flames get you. All day long you live in this kind of hell.

### Compare This with Your Pay Envelope

The Union Iron Works is a part of the Bethlehem Steel Company's chain of plants. Here are the salaries of some of the Bethlehem Steel officials for the years of 1932 and 1933, per year:

Chairman	\$250,000
(In 1929 it was \$150,000)	
E. G. Grace, Pres.	\$180,000
C. A. Buck, Director	\$90,000
Q. Beng, Director	\$90,000
R. E. McMath, Sec'y.	\$55,500
P. Mackall, Director	\$63,000

In the last quarter of 1932 the Bethlehem Steel Company suffered a net loss of \$5,621,672. In the last quarter of 1933, however, the company made a net profit of \$629,671.

### Lives Cost Nothing.

"Come on, guys, get this stagger up!" The boss hollers, and along comes a bolt on your head. Speed up! Hurry up!

The over-crowding is terrible. You are walking all over hoses, tools and so forth all the time, with the foreman right on your tail. All the bosses need on the



bottom job is a whip to drive you faster. The ship-fitters get out the templates and send them down to the plate shop. The workers there have to swing the steel so fast that they could cut a man in two with the edge of a steel plate if he wasn't watched all the time.

The men are driven at such a pace that they endanger their own lives and the lives of their fellow workers. The stage-riggers, the drillers, the burners, all of the shop repair crew are made to work like mad. The idea is that the bosses want to get ships out fast. The owners would lose a chance to make extra dividends if they didn't speed us up to the last notch of human endurance.

### Coming and Going.

Say that you have to go down to a certain job. Well, since nobody has told you what kind of tools will be needed you pick up a sixty-pound machine. You carry it down the slimy concrete stairs to the dock and down to the job. "What the hell? Why did you get that tool?" the foreman hollers. Or if you don't get



any, you get bawled out. You get it going and coming. The foreman and superintendent are all alike, servants of the bosses. When you want to eat, you have to go and get some distillate to get some of the muck and grease off. Or you have to go wash over the drinking fountain. When you work late you have to eat in the lunch room which is operating on a concession, and they want you plenty. (You pay about double for everything.) You have forty minutes for lunch. On pay day you got to gulp your food and stand in line for your pay checks, rain or shine. If you get soaked to the skin the bosses should worry! No Lockers.

A good many of the departments have no provisions for a room to change clothes half-way decent. Us fellows have to wear sloppy clothes, dirty old hats, and we have to change right out there in the rain or cold. There are no washing facilities in some departments at all. The piece work system is used to divide the men. You are called on short notice and are expected to jump like hell. Petty favoritism is the practice.

Well, these conditions will remain as long as we will depend on the fake "employee representation" system to take care of our grievances. Until we take things in our hands and organize our own union, things will continue to get worse. I am a member of the Trade Union Unity League, and as long as I am on this job I will hammer away to make all the workers here realize that only a fight under that organization's leadership will force a change to the better.

## \$8.00 Per Week for Calpac Cannery Workers Want

### Simmons Workers; AFL Does Nothing

### SEWING ROOM GIRLS FORCED TO WORK MORE THAN 44 HOURS WEEKLY

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 15.—I am working for the Simmons Bedding Company, the makers of the famous Beauty-Rest Mattress. I thought I'd let you know the rotten conditions we are working under. The Bedding Code calls for 40 hours a week. They work us 49 hours, and pay us as little as \$8.00 a week. When it's time to quit they tell us to punch out and return again and we work 2 or 3 hours more. But we do not punch out again after these extra hours of work.

The girls in the Sewing Room are breaking the State Labor Law every day, by working over 44 hours a week. There are about 125 of us, both men and women, who have joined the AFL of Union, but that does not do anything for us, because it's too polite to the bosses. We are very anxious to form some kind of an organization that will include all the city bedding workers, and try to stop these rotten conditions that exist all over California.

Just think, this famous Beauty-Rest Mattress sells for \$42.50 retail, and the poor slave that makes this mattress gets about 35 cents for it. In 1929 the mattress sold for the same price, and the maker of it was paid \$1.25. The girls who used to get 5 and 6 cents for sewing mattresses, takes now get 1 cent. If we complain to our business agent, he tells us there is nothing he can do about it. If we complain to the bosses (especially the college boys they use for foremen) they tell us we ought to be glad to be working for them. Would you please tell us what the NRA stands for? —A Simmons' Slave.

## Unemploy'd Council Wins in Garrison Eviction Fight

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 29.—Complete victory on every point was won by the Unemployed Council in their fight to save Jim Garrison from being evicted. Garrison had been moved into his Lyon St. home by the relief administration, which agreed to pay the \$18 per month rent. After being laid off of CWA, they told him he must find himself another cheaper place, costing not more than \$16. Garrison has a wife and one-month old baby.

Knowing that this was only the first attack which would be made upon his living standard, Garrison refused to move out. The landlord served an eviction notice and Garrison took his case to the Fillmore Unemployed Council.

Leaflets were distributed throughout the entire neighborhood and many neighbors, along with the members of the Unemployed Council, came to the house to defend it against threatened eviction. For two days, the house was barricaded and full of militant workers prepared to stop the eviction.

Faced with this militant opposition, the charities finally agreed to let the committee elected from those defending the house to pay up to \$18 a month for Garrison's rent and let him select any place he chose. And then the charities had to pay Garrison 75¢ per day to go out and hunt for a suitable place.

Workers in all towns! Send in stories of wages and conditions to the "Western Worker!"

## FIGHTING FOR RELIEF IN SACRAMENTO



Part of the crowd of 4000 Sacramento unemployed who demonstrated yesterday against the 75% cut in relief, and demanded of the county supervisors that the Unemployed Council continue distribution of relief. Lower right, group of firemen mobilized with 200 police and deputies to attack workers. The way had been prepared for attack on the workers by a framed-up story, played up by the Sacramento press to fit a lie manufactured by the Hearst press, of a couple sticks of dynamite having been found near a bridge, trying to pretend that this had connection with May Day and the workers' struggle for relief.

## Workers Want Organization

### MUST SPEND 14 HOURS TO PUT IN 10 HOUR DAY

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Apr. 15.—I started to work in the Calpac Cannery at 2nd and P Sts. here when it opened a few days ago. Everything we do is done on a piece-work basis. This is my first year, and I haven't been able to find out how much we are getting for our work. The company has different prices for the canning department in which I work, but as we new girls are not familiar with the sizes, etc., we don't know whether we are getting paid what the rates call for or not.

I was told by an old-timer on the job that the company compels you to buy a uniform, a rubber apron, a button, a cap and a knife from them, and that you pay plenty for them. The company also has a blackboard with the time marked on it for our next appearance in the sweat shop. When we appear at the appointed time, we find that the hour has been changed and we have to sit around between one to three hours, waiting for the company to blow the whistle before we can start to work. The same thing happens at the noon hour, and it usually takes us fourteen hours a day to get in ten hours of work.

The foreladies are very domineering and like to show their authority by snapping at the girls and continually finding fault with everything we do.

There is a very large amount of dissatisfaction, both amongst the new girls and the old, and I am sure that they are ready to organize for their own betterment if some one will show them how.

(Ed. Note: This worker should get in touch with the Cannery & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union at 429 J. St.)

## Demand Inquiry Into Driving of Eight from Camp

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Apr. 17.—Seven weeks ago, 8 Negroes were driven out of Camp Julian, in San Diego County, by a gang of armed thugs. The Negro workers were paid off at the local State Emergency Relief Administration office. On April 11th, a committee representing the League of Struggle for Negro Rights called at the office of the San Diego director, Mr. Mills, to protest the treatment of the Negro workers. Mr. Mills said that they had done the "best they could".

The committee sent a letter to the state office of the SERA demanding a complete investigation and report on the whole affair, that the names of the eight workers be furnished the LSNR so that organization might take action and prosecute those guilty of driving them from the camp.

"Don't Want to Work."

The letter from the state office stated that "So far as this office is concerned, the Negroes from the Julian Camp could have been reinstated, but apparently it was their wish not to return to camp", trying to cover the fact that they cannot very well return, having been driven from the camp with guns.

The letter states, however, that two officials of the SERA, Mr. Scala and Mr. St. Clair, have since been dropped. The state office passed the buck, stating that the local office had full information, whereas the local office told the committee to write to the state office.

## Special Western Worker Editions

In order to make the Western Worker still more effective in reaching broad masses of workers in basic industries, special editions of the Western Worker with an entire page devoted to workers correspondence from one industry will be published in the near future.

On May 8th, an entire page will be given over to news of the marine industry—of the conditions of seamen, longshoremen, and other waterfront workers. The following week, May 15th, a special edition will be devoted to conditions in California canneries.

Deadline for news for the May 8th edition is Thursday, May 3rd, and for the May 15th edition, Thursday May 10th.

Workers in these industries should write to the Western Worker, telling about their conditions—wages, speed-up, methods of chiseling workers out of their pay, fakers in their unions—anything which is important to you and the other workers in your plant. All articles should be factual.

Begin now to plan mass distribution of these editions on the waterfront, at the canneries. Here is our chance to reach thousands of these workers for the first time. Send in your increased bundle orders, send in your correspondence, and lay plans so that every waterfront and cannery workers will see these editions of the only workingclass paper on the West coast.

## YOUNG SOCIALISTS WANT UNITED FRONT, HELD BACK BY MISLEADERS

Friday, April 13, the basis for united action of the Young People's Socialist League of San Francisco with the Young Communist League was laid when Dave Lyon from the YCL, formerly a Socialist Party member, spoke at a YPSL meeting, pointing out the need of united struggle against fascism and the traitorous role of the Socialist party leaders.

who were attempting to provoke hostility between the YCL and the YPSL.

The atmosphere of fraternization and comradely discussion which prevailed throughout this meeting broke down the anti-socialist which the SP leadership has been fostering so carefully, and when the chairman attempted to prevent the speaker from bringing out the treacherous role of the SP leaders, he was unanimously over-ruled by the rank and file. In the discussion which followed, and which lasted one hour after the time scheduled for closing the meeting, every member of the YPSL who took the floor agreed with the YCL speaker and spoke in favor of united action against fascism and for the demands of the workers.

### DEAD HAND OF S. P.

When, however, the educational director of the YPSL attempted to follow up on this meeting by proposing to the executive committee of the YPSL that they should hold a joint meeting with the bureau of the YCL to lay plans for united struggle, the leadership of the executive committee, which had not attended the meeting and which had attempted to sabotage it by failing to send out notices of the meeting, unanimously rejected the proposal and attempted to shut the floor on any united front activity. It is clear from the attitude of the rank and file at the April 13 meeting that such action is directly in opposition to the sentiment of the membership of the YPSL.

### Y. C. L. IN STRUGGLE

During the past months, the Young Communist League has

## C. P., Unemployed, to Fight Jim - Crow Dance in San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Apr. 17.—At a meeting held Saturday of the County Emergency Relief Association, that organization voted to hold a dance at the Blue Moon Hall, excluding all Negroes, Mexicans, and other "outstanding foreigners" from dancing. Gene Gordon, of the Communist Party, exposed the tactics pursued by this organization, of splitting up the workingclass. The CERA is used by the county supervisors and the City Council to counteract the militant policies of the Unemployed Council.

The Unemployed Council and the Communist Party are planning for a demonstration at the dance.

## McNamara Br., ILD Financial Statement Shows It's Good Work

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 4.—The financial statement of the International Labor Defense from July 10, 1933 to Feb. 19, 1934, shows a total income of \$563.71 and that all this was expended for strikes, trials, prisoners' relief, Scotland to the National Office, Scottsboro, aid for the Western Worker Bazaar (\$42.77) for the S. F. ILD district office and bazaar, and for administrative expenses.

The United Front Committee of Russian Workingclass Organizations sent the Western Worker a check for \$8.71, the receipts being donated equally to three revolutionary papers from the meeting for the Russian sailors of the ship "Soyuzpushnina".

## American Can Co. Boss Wants Fascist Form in the U. S.

### COMPANY INCREASED PROFIT, THROUGH NRA

SAN FRANCISCO, April 18.—Leading can manufacturers have good reason to be satisfied with what the NRA code has done for them. The American Can Co. increased its profits by 40% in 1933, from \$10,967,295 in 1932 to \$15,357,048. The Continental Can Co., which has not missed a common stock dividend throughout the depression, did even better, increasing its profits by 57%, from \$4,819,000 in 1932 to \$7,547,000 in 1933. Both of these companies have a number of plants on the West coast.

Mr. Carle Conway, chairman of the Board of the Can Manufacturers' Code, president of the Continental Can Co. and a director of U. S. Rubber, Colonial Airways, American Airports, the Skelly Oil and other companies, is one of the code authorities who have been conferring with Johnson on how to continue to put the NRA over. What does this leading NRA officials think?

### Italy an Example.

"Business men in Italy are happy rather than unhappy under the Mussolini regime," Mr. Conway writes in an article featured in the Sunday New York Herald-Tribune. "Each industry there has its organization, such as is taking place in each of our major industries under the code. This organization in Italy has taken place without either the destruction of individual initiative or the hampering of management or an undue extension of the prerogatives of labor. In the U. S. we are working toward something approaching this industrial control in our own way." He goes on to say that "Germany is organizing its industrial life," and "over here we are moving in a similar direction. In all of these countries the solution is being sought without the destruction of individual initiative or profits. We must find our solution along the same lines."

What do the workers of the American and Continental Can companies think of this assurance of freedom and profits for the bosses by suppression, terror, speed-up and minimum wages for the workers? What do you think of the slave code leading toward fascism "in our own way"? Write the Western Worker at 37 Grove St., San Francisco! Join the army of Worker Correspondents!

## Workers Film & Foto League Tour Reports Results

### SHOW TO 5000 WORKERS AND FARMERS; ASK AID TO BUILD LEAGUE

By L. SMINOW  
Organizer of the L. A. Film & Foto League

The January tour for the Western Worker with the End of St. Petersburg was the local struggle for films, dealing with the El Monte berry pickers strike, the anti-war demonstration in San Diego, and the great Los Angeles County Hunger March demonstration resulted in an audience of 4400 seeing the films. The Western Worker 28 members for the party, \$136.00 in collections for the Western Worker, and \$20.55 for the party.

The workers and farmers liked the films very much. In many cases it was the first time they had seen either a Soviet or a workers film.

### Fail to Stop Modesto Show.

In Modesto, the first time a workers film was shown was in January. A second showing of Los Angeles films was announced in Modesto for Feb. 15. Three days before the showing the CWA laid off 700 in Modesto, and the Modesto bosses did not want these workers to see films of the class struggle, as the fired CWA men were in a fighting mood. Immediately a campaign on the part of the bosses and the fascists was started to sabotage the showing of the film and foto league. The Public Library advertised a counter-showing of bourgeois films—free of charge. The American Legion organized a parade to march to the hall where the showing would take place to intimidate the workers. At the last minute the Fire Chief was sent in to inspect the building—at night. The Fire chief could find nothing wrong with the building and stayed for the showing of the workers films and did not leave until the showing was over.

### Help This Work.

In one farming community, a farmer was spilling milk to the chickens instead of water. When asked why he did this he replied that it did not pay to bottle the milk and put it on trucks to take it away. On account of the lack of funds for raw film, this scene was not photographed, and there are hundreds of scenes like this one that remains unphotographed for the same reason. Pictures are stronger than words and these scenes photographed by the Workers Film & Foto League can become a powerful weapon in our hands. Get behind the Workers Film & Foto League.

# TRADE UNION NOTES

## Monterey, Santa Cruz Fishermen Win Back Part Payout

In Santa Cruz the market fishermen who fish salmon have to deal with one of three markets. One is a large commercial market, one is a commercial cooperative where the fishermen hire a business man to run their business; the third is a market owned by its own fishing boats. The large commercial market buys the surplus fish from the market owning its own fishing boats. The fishermen were being paid 12¢ a pound for salmon which was the price Monterey fishermen had been forced to accept in their recent strike. The largest market, cut down the price to the fishermen to 10¢ per pound. At the same time they were buying the fish at a cut-rate price from the market which owned its own fishing boats, and for an excuse in cutting from 12 to 10 cents they told the fishermen they were being under sold in other markets. This cut also threatened to become a further cut to 7¢. They also declared that this price was being paid fishermen in Monterey.

The markets in Monterey tried to cut to the same price. Union members in the Market Fishermen's Section of the Fishermen & Cannery Workers Industrial Union held a meeting and elected a committee of more than 35 who took a large boat immediately to Santa Cruz and landed on the dock. There they met with Santa Cruz fishermen and the result of the meeting was winning 1¢ back so that now they receive 11¢. This also affected Monterey. Markets in Eureka are paying only 7¢ since the fishermen lost their strike there. This further cut also affects lower ports who are striving to keep from this further reduction of their living standards.

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## Food Workers Union Take in Two More Branches Into Union

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 19.—Two more branches of the Food Workers Industrial Union have been organized in Hollywood and in downtown Los Angeles. Cafe and vegetable market workers previously unorganized make up the new branches. A secretary was elected and will be in the office at 548 So. Los Angeles St. every afternoon from 2 to 5.

## Swift Packing House Workers Form Job Com. of Action

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 20.—In the past few weeks several workers from Swifts Packing House in Los Angeles came into the Packing House Workers Industrial Union. A leaflet was distributed in and out of the plant calling for workers to form committees of action in each department, under the leadership of the Packing House Workers Industrial Union to organize the mass resistance against the Biedou system of speed up, wage cuts and more lay-offs in an effective struggle for its abolition.

## Furniture Workers Industrial Union Takes in 2 Shops

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 19.—The Furniture Workers Industrial Union has taken in two more shops. Several workers who had gone into the independent union of that sell-out Socialist, Busiek, and into the AFL union have come over into the Furniture Workers Industrial Union.

## "You Have Sent Me Into Communism, Gentlemen, — And I Am Grateful"

### L. A. Worker Denounces Capitalist System of Starvation in Letter to Supervisors

To the Board of Supervisors of Los Angeles County:

Gentlemen:

The case I wish to bring to your attention is the following: I have applied for aid of the County Charities and have been turned down several times, although I have a wife, and two children in high school, and a mother of 76 years that I am supposed to support. After lowering myself and the morale of my family by asking charity, I was told in a very nice and polite way to go and starve to death.

Now, gentlemen, this is what I refuse to do. If I have to die, I prefer to die fighting, and won't lay down until I am dead. My brother was a fool and killed himself two years ago after losing all he had earned in a lifetime.

I have lost all I had. I have lost a home, my brother, and the confidence of my family. My family life is broken up. My children looking down upon me as a parasite living on the few dollars the mother brings in. The love, respect, prestige, confidence of my children in their father is gone, and so I am leaving.

## New Hide Workers Union Wins Pay Raise

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 18.—The newly-formed Hide Workers Industrial Union, has won a victory in its first fight. Electing a shop committee in the tannery on Battery St., they approached the boss for a pay increase and because they were organized, won a raise of 2½¢ an hour. The average wage is about \$15 for a long week. Encouraged by this, the union is organizing stronger for further victories.

## Apricot Thinner Wins Raise

SALINAS, Cal., Apr. 19th.—Thirty workers in an orchard near Greenfield who were thinning apricots on a California Orchard Co. were attracted by the picket line which went out in the pea strike. They came to the road and talked to the pickets and decided to go on strike themselves for a 10¢ raise in pay. They were being paid 20¢ per hour. The boss arrived about this time and they presented their demands, which were immediately granted to keep them from striking.

## Striking Cooks Fight Militantly

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 19.—The striking cooks in Local 44, AFL, have shown their militance by carrying on red picket lines in front of the truck hotels, instead of the old "safe" practice of putting a woman in front of the place to sell papers. This sentiment was further manifested when a speaker from the Food Workers Industrial Union of the Trade Union Unity League asked for the floor to offer the solidarity of its members in the struggle. The rank and file backed this request and it was only by a close vote that the officials were able to defeat it.

## Messenger Boys Organizing

SAN FRANCISCO, Apr. 19.—Seeing the movement of the Western Union messenger boys for organizing to fight for better conditions and pay, the companies got together with the AFL to try to herd them into channels safe for themselves. A meeting was called in the Building Trades Temple Tuesday night. But the boys got together before the meeting and chose their own speaker. The speaker was a speaker on the floor was urging the fighting policy of the Trade Union Unity League, an AFL funder jumped up and declared he wouldn't stand for fooling around with Communists. But many of the boys recognized the old red herring and dragged out of his pocket and they have not fallen for his line. Instead they have elected their own organization committee.

## Needle Trades Union Demands Chinatown Shops Investigated

That not only the white-washed investigation of Dr. Geiger, City Health director, be the final word on conditions in San Francisco Chinatown, but that a gigantic city-wide investigation be launched to culminate in an open hearing for Chinatown workers is the aim of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union. The Chinese section of the NTLWU is in the forefront of this fight for better conditions in the sweat shops and for decent wages.

But gentlemen, I am bound to go my own way, and I know the road. It is a rough one. I have lost all but one thing, self confidence, self respect, some little energy which is left in my worn body, which has had upon it from eleven to fifty years of age the suction pump of the capitalist system of exploitation. But there is enough left in me to help establish better conditions, conditions under which our babies will have milk, families will have coal in their cellar and not have to be afraid to face the future.

Gentlemen, I speak to you as an individual, but that will not be so for long any more, as I realize the absolute necessity of pulling together. If my membership will be accepted, I will be coming under which one party body, which is putting up the fight and accepted the challenge of those who wish to deny the majority of people the right to live.

Gentlemen, you have driven me into the arms of Communism, and I am grateful and satisfied. I have applied for membership in the Communist Party and hope I will be accepted.

—An Unemployed Worker.



## East of the Rockies

### Strikes Increase

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Following Madame Perkins' chipping "No first class strikes," Senator Wagner's National Labor Board reports 218 strikes in March involving 139,000 workers, compared with 78 strikes in February involving 56,000. These cover only the strikes reported to the National Labor Board.

### Mine Strikes Bring Gains

WASHINGTON, D. C.—21,000 Alabama coal miners stand firm in their strike against the operators' refusal to accept the 7-hour day and \$4.60 per day wage scale in spite of the widespread terror carried through by the state guards and company thugs. One worker has been murdered, but the strike has been spread so that all but four of the pits are now closed tight. Most of the workers are Negroes.

Tens of thousands of miners in West Virginia, Illinois and Pennsylvania are involved in strikes and lock-outs to enforce the seven-hour day and wage increases. The seven-hour day is the first reduction in the working day of coal miners since 1899. Faced with the rank and file mobilization of 350,000 miners for a general strike on April 1st, the operators were forced to concede this demand as an amendment to the code, and to give Lewis a chance to strengthen his control and enforce the no-strike provisions.

Lewis, while shouting his head off for the miners, is already maneuvering behind the scenes to join with Governor Miller of Alabama and the National Labor Board to concede \$3.40 a day in the Alabama fields. He has already, but without success, called the strike off.

### Biggest May Day in History

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—With support for the United Front May Day Committee rolling up from Birmingham, Ala., to Portland, Maine, and from coast to coast, the biggest and most militant May Day demonstrations loom ahead. In New York City, LaGuardia has already been forced to back down from his attempt to keep the workers out of Union Square, under the mass pressure of protesting workers.

### Socialists and Thugs in United Front

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y.—Socialist misleaders who remained in the background sabotaging the militant taxi-drivers strike in New York, including Panken, Most, Thomas, Levy and Claessens, have joined with the thugs to try to split and smash the rank and file controlled Taxi Drivers Union. A workers delegation of several hundred, calling to inquire about "lost" funds withheld from strike relief by the fakers, were met by a line of thugs, who made no move when they saw the size of the delegation. The misleaders tried to get out of the questions by saying that they only knew that the funds are lost and that their missing friends could explain it. The attempt to split off a small section of the Bronx local by bringing them into the AFL hit a snag when it was disclosed that dues payments would be increased from 50 cents to \$2 a month.

### Striking CCC Workers Attacked

ORANGE, N. J.—Armed guards were sent to attack 50 CCC workers protesting conditions, 12 of the young workers requiring hospital treatment. Eleven of these workers were released from the hospital at the request of the police who put them in jail. The other one was too badly hurt to be moved.

### War Industries Choked by Strikes

HARTFORD, Conn., Apr. 16.—With 300 workers in the fire-arms, aircraft and typewriter plants out and 5,000 more meeting for a strike vote, the operations of Connecticut's war industry plants are badly crippled. This tie-up follows those of the airplane factories at Buffalo and the naval shipbuilding at Camden, N. J.

## Roosevelt Orders 10 Pct. R. R. Cut Stay 6 More Mos.

IF WORKERS DON'T ACCEPT, HE SUGGESTS "FACT FINDING COMMISSION"

WASHINGTON, D. C., Apr. 21.—In a letter dated April 20th, President Roosevelt issued further directives to Commissioner Eastman to use every possible means to continue the 10% rail labor wage-cut at least until January, 1935. Shedding the false democratic tears for the greater slash in workers' earnings initiated through mass lay-offs, dismissals and part-time work, the New Dealer attempts to veil his efforts to boost the rapidly growing profits of railroad magnates. Completely silent about the billion and more given by the government to turn over to the banks, and the regular monthly increase in railroad profits, Mr. Roosevelt now instructs Mr. Eastman to prime the Brotherhood on the theory that more profits to the railroads will enable them to employ more workers, thereby spreading the wages thinner. The program is thus to squeeze more profits out of wages. But the bunk about more employment is exposed as a screen by the further statement:

"It must be frankly recognized that there is little prospect that railroads will be able to employ in the future the number of men they have employed in the past, and that they must operate with the utmost efficiency and economy," that is, with the lowest wages and the least workers.

Eastman is instructed to try to get an agreement with the labor bureaucrats to continue the wage-cut with assurances "that further controversy may be deferred at least until January 1st." But, he adds in case the workers are able to stop the labor bureaucracy from such an open sell-out, "a fact-finding commission" will be appointed by him personally to report on July 1st, in an attempt to force the wage-cut.

### Cut 180 Off Jobs in Phoenix So As to Pay Bankers

PHOENIX, Ariz., Apr. 17.—Using as a pretext inability to pay interest on Maricopa County bonds, 180 workers were thrown off the highway work here yesterday to starve. The shutdown, announced as lasting at least two and a half months, will probably be permanent unless a strong fight is rallied by the workers for jobs.

The bonds bought by banks, etc., are placed above human hunger, and the \$100,000 interest due capitalists and other investors must be met regardless of the suffering of the workers, the supervisors voted. The slow payment of taxes by small farmers and homeowners was given as the reason for stealing the money for the bonds from the county roadwork funds.

## Portland May Day Mass Protest Of Jordan Frame-Up

PORTLAND, Ore., April 20.—The demand for the immediate and unconditional freedom of Theodore Jordan, framed Negro worker, will be one of the main demands raised at the Portland May Day demonstration, as the mass indignation of the workers is being aroused by the International Labor Defense to stop the legal lynching.

Preparations are going forward for a huge protest meeting when Leo Gallagher, Los Angeles L. L. D. attorney who aided the defense of Dimitroff in Germany during the Reichstag "trial," and Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro Negro boys, speak here May 12.

Following the May Day demonstration a five act play on the Jordan frame-up, "Pigment," will be presented at the Italian Federation Hall at 8 p. m.

When given a copy to read, Jordan wrote from the Oregon Penitentiary, "I have read 'Pigment.' It is not entertaining—unless the outcries of the Negro masses are entertaining. It is not tragic—there is nothing tragic about the uniting of Negro and white millions, as they smash the barricades that divide them, and march, however painfully, toward a common liberation. It is drama—as only workers can feel and express it. I urge every Negro and white worker to see it."

All proceeds from the play will be used to defray expenses of the Jordan campaign.

## 400 AT KLAMATH FALLS PROTEST JORDAN "FRAME"

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Apr. 14.—Refused the use of the court house by Judge Duncan, and blocked from using the streets by the police department, more than four hundred workers gathered on a lot near the Pelican Theatre to voice their protest against the frame-up of Theodore Jordan, Negro worker whose appeal the Supreme Court denied. The theater manager brought police to try to break up the meeting, but the workers refused to move and stayed until their meeting was finished.

The meeting called by the International Labor Defense, sent a resolution to Gov. Meier at Salem, demanding the immediate, unconditional freedom of Jordan, who was framed on a murder charge two years ago by a railroad bull as a personal vendetta. The indignation of the workers and farmers rallied by the ILD has forced the governor to appoint an investigating committee in the Jordan case, but this commission will only back up the frame-up decision when Jordan comes up for re-sentencing if greater protest is not roused from all over the west and the country.

An ILD branch is being formed here to carry on the fight, and branches are being formed in other cities and towns throughout the northwest.

## New Machine Takes I. L. A. Helm as Holman Gets Boot

(By a Longshoreman)

On April 16th the longshoremen of San Francisco were given an opportunity again to see the McNulty machine in operation, when, to save themselves, these fakers directed their attack against the pickard artist, Lee Holman, president of the local. At the time he was a member of the machine, but seeing the sentiment of the members of the International Longshoremen's Association, pretended to side with the rank and file trying to save his own neck.

Later, during the special strike meeting at Eagles Hall on the eve of the calling of the strike, Holman came out against the strike and told the men "You are determined to strike—but remember, I am not calling you out."

At this meeting the McNulty machine paved the way for the sell-out by Finnegan, supported by Lewis, telling the men that if Roosevelt intervened he was in favor of postponing the strike. Finnegan, at Holman's trial admitted that he knew at that meeting that the CIO had already wired Roosevelt asking him to intervene. Lewis also sent a wire to the East coast to International President Joe Ryan saying that nothing short of Roosevelt's intervention could postpone the strike.

### McNULTY MACHINE.

Thus Lewis, Finnegan, Joe Johnson, Outwright, Dutch Dietrich, Pat McKenna, Scotty Frater, Mick Lohan, Harry Curtis and the rest of the McNulty machine put across the program of the shipowners for open shop, joint hiring halls, decasualization, and compulsory arbitration with decisions that are final and binding—in short, scrapping the program of the ILA convention and delivering the longshoremen over to the shipowners.

This is the front rank of the McNulty machine which divided up the prosecution and defense of Holman when nobody on the floor would volunteer to defend Holman for violating the instructions of the ILA convention. This is the machine which united in scrapping the whole program of the convention, violated all its decisions and put across the Ryan plan which was overwhelmingly rejected at the convention.

The trial itself was a rank farce. Picard-artist Holman was absent, using his old gag of claiming to be sick. He sent a doctor's certificate along with his request that the trial be postponed, but it was decided to go on with the trial without him.

### RANK AND FILE DEMAND HOLMAN REMOVAL.

The McNulty crowd then divided up the roles of defence, prosecution, and judge, Johnson, who now automatically gets Holman's job assuming the role of judge, Dietrich and Curtis, the prosecutors, and McKenna, the defense. So strong was the rank and file feeling against Holman's betrayal that the McNulty crowd did not even need the drunken Rowan on the jury.

McNulty machine - arranged defence required that he avoid

## S. F. Soviet Consul



M. G. Galkovitch, consul general for the Soviet Union on the Pacific coast, in San Francisco last week.

## Racketeers, SP, Unite To Build Jim-Crow Fascist Organization

TUCSON, Ariz., Apr. 17.—A Tucson racketeer, J. S. Stewart, has been organizing the so-called "White American Association", which he declares is going to be a national organization. Recently this group organized in Phoenix, holding their meetings in the court-room of a "liberal" judge. Among the leaders are some of the slickest and most notorious Socialist fakers.

Reporting upon the aims and purposes of the White Americans, one of the organizers stated: "We are endorsed by President Roosevelt. Our purpose is to fight for jobs for white Americans, against Mexicans, Indians and niggers who have taken the bread out of our mouths."

It is obvious that the "White Americans" are another Fascist group, trying to split the workers. Workers must be on guard, and must not be fooled by their "job program", which is similar to Hitler's and Mussolini's. We must keep our eyes open, for the "White Americans" must be amongst the first people who will be used for scabs and strike-breakers in the coming bitter struggles.—Arizona Correspondent.

## RENEGADE

By J. R. Weeks

(Dedicated to several disruptors and renegades, who have recently been kicked out of the Party in San Francisco).

Washing around some rock, the Flood  
Carelessly picked him up, and for a time  
He pitched and tossed upon it's shallower edge.  
The turmoil of his going gave him life.  
He thought, "For me—and of me—is this strife".  
The froth and spume and spray were all he ever knew.  
Presently the water spewed him forth.

Unknowning the dark rolling depths,  
Where strength in unity survives, he lies  
And rots. And as he rots, proclaims,  
"I am the Flood".

# World Events and Western Workers

## May First an International Demonstration — All Eyes Are Set on Spain, France, Cuba, Capitalist Press Gives Trotsky a Boost — Last of Leading Trotsky Followers Begs to Get Back Into Communist Party

fascism, the Anarcho-Syndicalist movement is still influential. These following a line similar to the I.W.W., which once thrived in the U. S., refuse to recognize that the struggles of the workers are political and must aim towards the establishment of a workers and farmers government.

But the struggles taking place in Spain are schools which give the Communist Party an opportunity to demonstrate the correctness of our program and to isolate (as it is doing) the social democratic and syndicalist misleaders from the masses.

In Spain, we have the interesting fact, that the present government does not have a sufficient mass basis. All effort to establish a fascist power with at least a temporary mass basis, built up through storm troops and demagoguery, as in Germany, has been defeated. Hence the maturing of a revolutionary crisis.

Latest reports indicate that struggles in various parts are assuming the character of open clashes of workers with government forces and fascists. Transportation is entirely crippled.

In Cuba, the majority of the workingclass is under the leadership of the Communist Party, and is actually organized in the revolutionary unions. The secretary of the Cuban Communist Party, and head of the Trade Union Federation there, who appeared at our recent Party convention in Cleveland, very modestly informed us that 421,000 workers (population about 4 million) are now in the revolutionary unions. They even excused themselves for not organizing more Soviets. They are reported to have organized about 70 to date.

A majority of the workingclass, as we know, is the most essential prerequisite for a successful proletarian revolution. Cuba is an excellent example to show how rapidly a Communist Party can become the leader of the workers, and actually face the struggle for power. About a year ago the Party was extremely

weak, and isolated from the workers. But that Party knew how to take advantage of a revolutionary situation created during the overthrow of the dictator Machado.

One of the big obstacles before the Cuban workers is that they also have to fight American imperialism. This is where we come in. If we arouse a sufficient mass movement for the right of the Cuban people to self-determination, without military interference from the United States, they will be able to establish a workers and farmers government more easily. Anyway, the "backward" Cubans are going right ahead hoping that we will not remain too far behind.

Street battles in French cities in February were really preludes to a wave of struggles. The highest level of the revolution is taking place throughout France, particularly the events Friday, when 940 were arrested, make that quite clear.

While in the rest of the capitalist world there is a slight relief, especially due to war industry activity, France despite having the cream of war orders, is getting the brunt of its crisis right now. There is an unprecedented number of bankruptcies. Some of the biggest concerns are actually bankrupt, among which are the Renault Works. The government, realizing the consequence of the Stavisky crash, is deliberately preventing the facts from coming out in the open.

The intensification of the crisis is also reflected in the budget crisis, and consequently a sweeping wage cut to all government employees (relatively a bigger factor in France). The Communist Party's leadership of the nation-wide mass movement is what threw back the first attempt to establish Fascism. This was followed by the exclusion of the government employees in the demonstrations. One of the interesting features in the present French situation is that our Party there feel the situation so intense that the slogan for Soviets is displayed most prominently.

The Trotskyites have been trying to work up a lot of steam to impress the world that they are really going to organize an "international" when out comes the last of the followers of

## Foreign News Briefs

### Pitched Battles in Paris Streets

PARIS, France, Apr. 20.—Thousands of workers, including workingclass war veterans and many Socialists, responding to the United Front call of the Communist Party, joined in a demonstration against the governments new wage-cutting economy program. The demonstration ended in a pitched battle between workers and police and guards armed with clubs and batons. Over 200 were injured and about 1000 were arrested, including many women and children. The largest general strike and demonstration in the history of Paris is expected on May Day, because of the rank and file response from Socialist and other workingclass groups to the Communists' United Front call.

### Blackens Shoes to Prove He's Not Nazi

STOCKHOLM, Sweden.—The engineer who wore brown shoes on a municipal construction job did not have to wait long to learn why all the workers eyed him curiously. One worker soon approached him, looked at his shoes and announced, "We don't allow Nazi fashions here." The next day, a trade union delegation threatened a strike, so the poor engineer had to buy himself a can of shoe polish and blacken his shoes.

### Spring Sowing Far Ahead in Soviet Union

MOSCOW, USSR.—Spring sowing is a hundred to a thousand-fold ahead of last year when the Soviet Union harvested an all-time record crop. In the Black Sea and North Caucasus regions 995,000 acres have been sown as compared with 95,000 last year; in Dniepropetrovsk 1,335,000 acres as compared with 7,500 in 1933; and in Odessa Province 530,000 acres as compared with 75,000 last year. Early spring sowing is very important in increasing the crop yield because when the ground is still damp from the melted snow, the plowing is deeper.

### Release of 2000 Forced in Cuba

HAVANA, Cuba, Apr. 18.—Faced with a hunger strike of 150 political prisoners which extended to nine days with 20 approaching death, and the mass support of the Cuban workers by numerous demonstrations and a one-hour nation-wide general strike, Roosevelt's Mendieta-Wall Street government was forced to release 2000 political prisoners held for violating the anti-strike decree. At the same time the government made a left maneuver under the guise of an attack on foreign landholders, prohibiting them from acquiring any more land "except by special permission". This was done in order to cover up the re-introduction of the famous Gran labor-splitting law, which was again decreed, this time raising the percentage of native and naturalized citizens to 75 instead of 50%. Mendieta, like Grau, thereby hopes to convert the mass anti-imperialist wave into an attack against the growing unity of all workers.

CAMAGUEY, Cuba, Apr. 17.—Charging a "conspiracy" to set up workers and peasant fronts, the Soviet-American imperialist's latest butcher government in Cuba announced an investigation and began a new wave of wholesale arrests of workers. The Cuban toilers have set up 70 Soviets since they overthrew the Machado regime.

### Denmark Tied Up by Strike Wave

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, Apr. 13.—Theodor Stauning, Social-Democratic premier of Denmark conceded today that the intervention of the government had failed to head off the general strike of the slaughter-house workers. The slaughter-house workers are among the most important sectors of the Danish workingclass, Denmark being the source of British bacon supply. The strike of Danish seamen was joined by all the waterfront workers and spread to a general marine and waterfront workers strike when the police attacked the picket lines at the steamer Jylland. These strikes are holding solid in spite of the open opposition of the trade union bureaucracy.

### Mussolini Cuts Wages 5 to 20%

ROME, Italy, Apr. 17.—Italian Fascism carried out another attack on the living standard of the workers with a general reduction of salaries of state employees from 5 to 20 per cent, bringing them back to the 1922 level, while price levels have increased tremendously. This affects hundreds of thousands of small-salaried postoffice, telephone, telegraph, and other workers. In an effort to secure more cannon-fodder for Italian imperialism, the Bacheior Tax was increased 50 per cent.

### Austrian C. P. Calls May 1st Strike

VIENNA, Austria, Apr. 16.—Calls for a general strike against Austrian Fascism issued by the Communist Party here have met with tremendous support from the workers who were former rank-and-file members of the Social-Democratic party. When Dollfuss arrived in Graz today, he was greeted by a barrage of eggs and vegetables. The entire roadway into town from the airport was painted red with anti-Fascist slogans.

## Trotskyites Slug Workers to Stop Expose of Fakery

representatives of the opposition today declares that what we formerly considered deficiencies of Stalin's leadership are its merits. "Together with the whole Party and the workingclass I repeat:

"Only because of having a leader with the ideological irreconcilability, political astuteness and strong will such as Stalin was the Soviet country able to overcome the most difficult task of socialist reconstruction."

"During the period of my remaining outside the Party, the Trotskyist faction to which I belonged has rolled ever further down the anti-Leninist path. From petty bourgeois deviation within the Communist Party, it fell along the slope of adaptability to opportunism, transformed itself into a variety of social democracy, and finally found itself practically in the camp of counter-revolution."

"The realization of this deplorable truth drove me to seek ever greater force to seek an issue from this situation. The only possible issue was precise and open acknowledgement of my errors."

"I call upon all my former partisans who continue to adhere to Trotskyite opinions to follow my example. A careful example of the radical change of the internal and external situation is sufficient to convince every person who considers himself a Bolshevik of the necessity of such a step. To recognize this hostility is not shameful, but the strict duty of every Bolshevik."

"Many know that an old, personal friendship connects me with Trotsky. Now my path and Trotsky's have abruptly diverged. At the present moment, when the world is divided ever more clearly into two opposite camps, and the Communist International and the Party of the Communists, the Bolsheviks of the U. S. S. R. are in the center of the revolutionary camp, all attempts to maintain an intermediate position are vain."

—G. M.

"LEFT" PHRASEMONGERS ARE UNMASKED IN FASCIST ROLE BY ATTACK

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 15th.—Imitating his political allies the Red Squad, Max Schactman and his Trotskyite cohorts last night attacked with rubber hoses and chairs the members and sympathizers of the Young Communist League who were seeking entrance to his meeting.

Workers who had come to expose Schactman, refused to enter the meeting, their unemployed sympathizers were discriminated against and not let in free, despite the fact that many of the unemployed Trotskyite hangers-on were passed in. The purpose of excluding the unemployed was to isolate those workers who would expose Schactman's treachery from the floor.

Having seen other unemployed let in free, Max Olson of the Young Communist League demanded that all unemployed be admitted free without discrimination. Holstead, local Trotskyite standing behind Olson, pulled a rubber hose out of his sleeve and commenced to beat Olson on the back of the head. A group of thugs similarly armed drove the other sympathizers of the Trotskyites out of the hall. The thugs then turned their attention to two comrades still in the lobby upstairs, and the comrades then forced their way upstairs through the door, turning the Trotskyite thugs, turning their weapons against them.

The determination of the Trotskyites to exclude all militant workers and supporters of the Communist Party came as a result of a previous meeting when a delegation of Party members took the floor and completely exposed the treachery and fakery of the Trotskyites to the satisfaction of the entire audience.

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## Buono Sells Out Bonita Strikers In San Diego

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Apr. 17.—

On Saturday, April 14th, the Bonita fishermen of San Diego, who were on strike for \$50 a ton, were sold out to the bosses by the fakers, Orlando and Frank Buono, secretary of the San Diego Fishermen's Association, a union of boat owners.

On Wednesday, April 11th, at a meeting called by the Fishermen & Cannery Workers Industrial Union, and the San Diego Fishermen's Association, the two organizations having entered into a united front, over a hundred fishermen voted to hold out on strike for fifty dollars a ton. Immediately after this, Buono called a meeting offering to settle for less, thus selling out the fishermen.

An elected committee of rank and file fishermen, was completely ignored by Buono, when he organized the betrayal. Buono sold out the fishermen for \$45 a ton, for fish four pounds and up, thus leaving a loop-hole for the canneries to pay less when the fish get smaller.

The Fishermen & Cannery Workers Industrial Union has issued a leaflet exposing Buono, and is calling a meeting at which steps will be taken to further expose these misleaders of the fishermen.

## NEW CODE IS STILL WEAPON OF SHIPOWNERS

By S. C. Telford

### BULLETIN

Since this article was written a storm of protest has forced the public hearings to be re-opened on April 26th. Although the NRA Deputy Administrator has attempted to keep the Marine Workers Industrial Union out, the union has announced they will be there anyway.

The National Recovery Administration has announced that on or about May 1st, the so-called "Proposed Code of Fair Competition" for the Shipping Industry would be signed. What will this mean to the seamen and longshoremen? We have only to look back at the short history of the NRA, to see what has taken place in other industries, to get a good idea of what the new mess the shipowners have cooked up for us with the aid of the NRA staff, and the AF of L fakers.

One of the most touted clauses in the NRA is the famous Section 7a, which supposedly gives the worker the right to "organize and bargain collectively" through representatives of their own choosing. What this has amounted to in reality, is illustrated in the notorious cases of the Budd Auto Body Works, where the men dared to attempt to "organize and bargain collectively" through representatives of their own choosing. They had struck in protest against being forced into

a company union against their will, and when the NRA stepped in and forced them to vote for whether they wanted the old company union or not, they, having the courage of their convictions, stayed with their demands. 3000 were fired for this.

A similar case occurred in the Wierion Steel Company. But let us go back to the new Proposed Shipping Code. What does it really amount to? How will it affect us, the seamen and longshoremen?

### CHANGES FORCED.

There have been certain changes made in the new code, as compared with the original, submitted by the American Steamship Operators Assn. last November. The seamen's wages in the original were based on \$40 a month for AB's, other ratings in proportion, were raised to the level of a \$50 per month basic wage for AB's, \$60 for carpenters, boatswains, water-tenders, and second cooks; \$50 for oil-burner firemen; \$55 for quarter masters; \$40 for coal-passers, messmen, waiters and cabin stewards; \$57.50 for wipers; \$25 for ordinary seamen and messboys.

This wage scale will NOT apply to the Great Lakes or to the Pacific Coast steam schooners, whose wages will be set by the Divisional and Subdivisional Longshoremen's wages, which were first proposed as ranging from 35c to 40c per hour, were not announced in this "edition" of the code, but were referred

to the "Divisional" or "Subdivisional" Codes, which will be drawn up by the "members" of shipowners of any one of the various divisions into which the industry is divided.

What were the reasons for these changes in the original code? Did the shipowners experience a "change of heart," and suddenly decide to "give the workers a break" all of their own free will? Decidedly not. THEY WERE FORCED BY THE TREMENDOUS WAVE OF PROTEST WHICH SWEEPED THROUGH THE RANKS OF THE MARINE WORKERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY. DUE TO THREATS OF A STRIKE, ESPECIALLY ON THE WEST COAST, THE SHIPOWNERS DID NOT DARE ANNOUNCE A MINIMUM WAGE SCALE FOR LONGSHOREMEN.

They have adopted a policy of delay, of maneuvering for time, in hopes that the militancy of the stevedores may die down, and they will be able to put over another attack on the workers living standards.

### DUE TO STRIKES.

The wages of the seamen, in being raised from the scale of \$40 for AB's, to \$50, is due unquestionably to the many strikes and actions which have taken place among the seamen, under the leadership of the Marine Workers Industrial Union. The strike of the Coal-boat seamen in Boston had a terrific effect; the Munson Line struggles, the strikes in the Luckenbach and Calmar Lines in the Northwest, the many other battles put up by

seamen on various other lines, coupled together with the victories of the unemployed seamen, first in Baltimore and the East Coast, and later in Portland, Ore., Seattle, and recently in San Pedro, where the seamen have just won the right to administer their own relief—this has helped to force the concessions. All this is in line with the promise made by Roy B. Hudson, Secretary of the Marine Workers Union, during the public hearings of the original code in Washington, held in November, 1933, that "if the shipowners and the NRA Administration do not meet the demands of the workers, they will write their own code in militant strike action."

The shipowners have by now come to the realization that this was no mere bombast, but was a correct prediction.

But the Proposed Code still remains a vicious, anti-labor, strike-breaking weapon, designed for use against the marine workers.

First, all the workers can do is express their demands to the extent that they are permitted to do so at the hearings. But the final decisions rest with the National Recovery Board, which as we have experienced, is about the same as the shipowners themselves making it.

Second, the schedule of hours, maintenance, sustenance, cure and wages of seamen, does not provide for adjustment of wages to correspond with the increasing cost of living in the U. S., or to compensate for the depreciation of the dollar in

terms of foreign currency. The schedule specifically states that there shall be no pay for overtime "except as may be provided for in any Division or Subdivision Codes." The setting up of a committee to "study hours of employment in the stewards department" is obviously laying the base to increase the hours of this category of workers.

Third, the Code does not guarantee that the workers will receive a minimum amount of work really sufficient to maintain a decent standard of living. Neither are there any provisions for those who are now, and will remain in the future, permanently unemployed.

Fourth, the Code does not make any provision whatsoever, to remedy any such other grievances as blacklisting, which are practiced in the Fink Halls, or logging, which is done to terrorize workers into passiveness, and other grievances which the seamen have been forced to suffer under for a long period of time.

Fifth, the Code does not stipulate that the workers shall have the right to exert the powers which organization gives them; that is, the right to strike when such action is necessary to enforce their demands. In fact, it does just the opposite, in the setting up of the National and Divisional Shipping Labor Boards to "conciliate" all disputes. The representatives of labor on these boards are APPOINTED by the Administrator and the President

while the shipowners representatives are of their own choice. These Shipping Labor Boards are for the express purpose of spiking any moves of the workers to take strike action to enforce their demands.

Sixth, Section 12 of Article V, states that "the National Shipping Labor Board shall undertake a study of the decasualization of longshore labor, formulate rules and regulations therefor with a view to making the same effective by appropriate amendments to the Divisional or Subdivisional Codes". This after the longshoremen as a whole had rejected the decasualization plan definitely for the reasons that it would give the shipowners one more weapon to use against any worker they want to get rid of, and which would automatically, if adopted, throw at least 30,000 stevedores out of the industry, with no other jobs to go to.

It has been definitely shown what changes for the better, what concessions that were granted over the original code, were wrested from the shipowners ONLY BECAUSE OF THE MILITANT ACTIONS, OR THE THREATS OF SUCH BY THE MARINE WORKERS FORCED IT FROM THE PROFIT-HUNGRY BOSSES.

It has been definitely shown that the revised code is still inadequate for some, and is a reduction for others. Marine workers must answer the shipowners by carrying out still further, the striking of their own code in militant action!

## 2000 Crowd New L. A. Cultural Center Opening

LOS ANGELES, Apr. 17.—Two thousand workers and their friends attended the opening of the new Los Angeles Cultural Center, 230 So. Broadway, when the doors officially were thrown open to the public Saturday, April 14th.

A huge day and night celebration featured the opening, with a continuous program of entertainment in the auditorium which included a showing of the Soviet film "Cain and Artem"; play productions by the Rebel Players, and the New Theatre of Hollywood; and a very excellent pantomime by the Japanese Workers Theatre. A wrestling match also was featured. There was dancing in the evening.

The Cultural Center will be used as a center for such mass organizational activities as Pen and Hammer, John Reed Club, Workers School, Workers Library, Film and Photo League, League of Workers Theatres, the Art League, sponsored by the John Reed Club.

On Saturday night, Apr. 28, the Young Pioneers will present "Worker's Child", a play built around May Day and Roosevelt's attempt to divert the children to May Pole dancing on "National Child Health Day."

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# Department for Agitation and Education

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## Facts for Speakers

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### DECAYING CAPITALISM STIFLES CULTURE.

When capitalism first developed, education — invention — research — were encouraged because it needed scientists and technicians and teachers and skilled workers for developing its industry. Now capitalism has passed the stage of being a constructive agent and its dying hulk stifles the great forces of economic and cultural development.

To illustrate one phase of capitalist decay, we quote some figures on educational institutions, attendance and position of teachers:

### SCHOOLS CLOSED.

"Nearly 2,000 rural schools in 24 states failed to open this fall." (1933).  
"1500 commercial schools and colleges have closed."  
"One out of every four cities has shortened its school term."  
"16 institutions of higher education have been discontinued since last year." (1933).

### CHILDREN WITHOUT SCHOOLING.

More than 1,650,000 children 6 to 13 years old; and 521,000 children 14 to 16 years old are without schooling in the U. S. in normal years. This fall more than 100,000 more will be deprived of schooling because of the closing of schools due to lack of school funds.

This makes a total of 2,280,000 children of school age who should be in school but are not. (This does not include child laborers whom the NRA claims to have taken from the factories and fields but who are still at the bench and machines and farms nevertheless).

### TEACHERS PAY SLASHED.

"All U. S. school teachers in 1930 averaged \$1420 yearly salary. In 1933-34 this dropped to \$1050."  
"The average for city teachers in the U. S. is \$1415 while the rural teacher's average salary is \$750."  
"One out of every four American teachers is now teaching at a rate of less than \$750 per year," and prospects for 1934 predict that the figure will change to 1 out of every 3.  
"In at least 18 States teachers are being paid in warrants cashable at discounts ranging from 5 per cent up".

### TEACHERS UNEMPLOYED.

"Approximately 200,000 certificated teachers are unemployed." City schools employ today 18,600 fewer teachers it is estimated than in 1931.  
"Teachers are unemployed, but classes grow larger. One State has an average of 44 pupils per teacher. The average for 5 states is more than 40."  
(All the above facts are from government sources and quoted from a leaflet prepared by the Office of Education, U. S. Dept. of the Interior "The Deepening Crisis in Education", leaflet No. 44.)

### SOVIET UNION ADVANCES CULTURE.

To quote just a few facts which contrast sharply in favor of the advances being experienced in the Soviet Union under the rule of the Workers' and Peasants' Government, we present the following from the Soviet Union Review of October, 1933:

"Sept. 1, 200,000 schools in the USSR open their doors to 25,000,000 children in the primary and intermediate grades—two million more than were accommodated last year, and about three times as many as attended these grades in Tsarist Russia. Thousands of newly trained teachers are starting work this year."

More than 50% of the population of the Soviet Union are attending institutions of learning, classes, etc. at the present time. This compares to only 26% of the U. S. population in all schools, classes, etc.

### SOVIETS BUILD SOCIALISM, ADVANCE CULTURE.

Thus we see that where workers and farmers are in complete control of the government as in the Soviet Union there is progress for the masses. These figures turn but one page of the volumes which show the advance of culture under a Workers' and Farmers' Government while culture is being destroyed in a capitalist controlled country run for profits to a few, as in the U. S. A.

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## EDITORIAL

### THE WORKERS ELECTION PLATFORM.

On May 6th, in San Francisco, the California State Nominating Convention will take place. Among its tasks will be to adopt an election platform for which the workers candidates will fight. All workers should participate in the writing of this platform. Here is how to do it:

Write to this column proposing a plank or a number of planks in the form of demands of the workers that should go into the platform. If you want to write a complete platform, do so. Every contribution received will be turned over to the Platform Committee. If the Convention does not elect these comrades as regular members, you will in any case be invited to attend the sessions of the Platform Committee.

So send in your ideas for the Workers Election Platform. Don't be afraid that "you don't know enough." You know what will be good for you and your fellow-workers, and that is what the Communist Party Platform should contain. Will you help us write the platform? Answer by sending your suggestions for its contents.

### THE CANDIDATES.

We have already received several proposals as to who shall be candidates in the coming state elections. We will be glad to hear more proposals. In fact, candidates will be chosen out of the list of suggestions sent in by readers of the WESTERN WORKER, members and sympathizers of the Communist Party, and workers and farmers generally. Who do you think would be a good candidate, and for what office? Send us your suggestions. The same plan that applies to the Platform Committee will apply to the Nominating Committee. Comrades who send suggestions and who are present at the Nominating Convention will be proposed as members to the Nominating Committee. If the proposals are not accepted by the Convention, such comrades will be invited to attend the sessions of the Nominating Committee and be allowed to speak for their suggestions. Send us immediately your suggestions for a slate. The offices open are as follows:

Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of State, Comptroller, Treasurer, Attorney General, 4 Members of the Board of Equalization, U. S. Senator, 21 U. S. Congressmen, 80 State Assemblymen, 20 State Senators (from even numbered districts).

## Fundamentals of a Communist Political Education

### LECTURE 9

*Outward and Essential Role of State — The State as Executive Committee of a Class — Democratic and Fascist State, Both Capitalist — The Proletarian State and Socialism in One Country.*

### DEMOCRATIC AND FASCIST STATE—BOTH CAPITALIST.

However, as the struggle between the two classes sharpens, this "impartial" institution is forced to come out more and more as the open fighter on the side of the capitalist class, and finally, when the struggle reaches an extremely sharp point as it did for example in Germany, Austria, Italy and Poland, then the government throws off all democratic pretenses and openly appears as the brutal terrorist regime of the capitalist class against the working class. Even here it tries to retain an outward appearance of impartiality in order to get mass support. Thus, it promises that the fascist state really is against capitalism, but is also against communism. In other words, it pretends to be above the interests of the two contending classes, while it has actually introduced the rule of the most reactionary section of the capitalist class which governs by terror.

Thus the capitalist class retains the state during its existence to protect its privileges. As long as capitalism, its profit system, and all its special privileges for the capitalist class remains, there will be a capitalist state to protect those privileges; but sometimes, when the capitalist class feels that its system is immediately threatened, its state pretends to an "impartial" and "democratic" role, but if the capitalist class feels itself slipping and its system threatened, then its state takes on open fascist forms.

### THE PROLETARIAN STATE.

The experience of the Russian Revolution, Paris Commune, the German and Hungarian revolutions have all shown that after the overthrow of the capitalist system and seizure of power by the workingclass, there is a temporary shift in the lines, namely, the workingclass finds itself at an advantageous position, and

objectively, in so far as they undermine the domination of imperialism, constituent part of the proletarian revolution; a period in which capitalist and Socialist economic and social systems exist side by side in "peaceful" relationship as well as in armed conflict; a period of formation and growth of a Union of Soviet Republics; a period of wars of Imperialist States against Soviet States; a period in which the ties between the Soviet States and colonial peoples become more and more closely established.

### SOCIALISM — EVEN IN ONLY ONE COUNTRY.

Uneven economic and political development is an absolute law of capitalism. This unevenness is still more pronounced and acute in the epoch of imperialism. Hence it follows that the international proletarian revolution cannot be conceived as a single event occurring simultaneously all over the world; at first Socialism may be victorious in a few, or even in one single capitalist country. Every such proletarian victory, however, broadens the basis of the world revolution and consequently, still

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## Literature Book Reviews

"SCHOOLS AND THE CRISIS" by Rex David, price 10c. Along with the economic crisis in the United States the crisis in American education has become catastrophic.

More than 200,000 certified teachers are permanently unemployed. Thousands have been fired. All are in danger; 33 out of every hundred teachers will be paid less than \$750 in the school year 1933-34, and at least \$4,000 will receive less than \$450. Many communities are carrying their teachers on the relief rolls.

This is no accidental situation. These attacks on the schools correspond to a directed plan published by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States and carried out by bankers and industrialists everywhere. They are an inevitable part of the economic system under which we live.

There is little chance for workers children, they must help support the family, and high schools and colleges are only for the well-to-do.

Negro children have fewer educational opportunities than white children. Negro schools have always been neglected and now they are the first to bear the load of the crisis. The Jim-crow methods of the capitalist system to keep white and Negro workers from uniting is also carried out in the schools among the youth and children.

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further intensifies the general crisis of capitalism. Thus, the capitalist system as a whole reaches the point of its final collapse; the dictatorship of finance capital perishes and gives place to the dictatorship of the proletariat. (END LECTURE 9)

## THINK SHARPLY

### INTRODUCTION.

We are foregoing our usual "Questions and Answers" in this column in order to make room for some critical remarks as to the last issue of the Western Worker. The regular questions and answers will be published next installment.

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A little self-criticism is in order for the Western Worker. The last issue contains several serious errors by various comrades who wrote articles for the paper. For example, Comrade Shoaf, in his article called "Sinclair's New Betrayal" states "He (Sinclair) well realizes that the tendency of events rapidly is toward the establishment of a fascist dictatorship in this country, and his present campaign is clearing the road for a fascist regime." We are afraid Comrade Shoaf is giving up the fight too quickly. Whether a fascist dictatorship comes or not will depend entirely upon whether the workers will struggle against it. In Spain, for example, the attempt towards the establishment of a fascist dictatorship received a decisive blow by the action of the workers against it. In France the attempt to establish a fascist dictatorship got a considerable set-back by the tremendous general strike, and demonstrations which were carried through by the initiative and under the leadership of the Communist Party. Also, what is the meaning of the words "tendency of events"? The "tendency of events" is not some mysterious

quantitatively but is the facts of the fight between workers and farmers and capitalists. Does Comrade Shoaf mean the workers have no control over these "events"? Of course, knowing Comrade Shoaf as we do, we are certain that this unfortunate phrase crept in unconsciously, copied from capitalist language.

Comrade Shoaf knows better and certainly is a better fighter than this phrase would indicate. But articles should be written all the more sharply, and not so loosely that the language of the opportunists creeps in to our writings.

We very much resent, and we think all fighting workers will, the opening paragraph of the usually excellent column called "Seeing Red" conducted by Comrade Kirby. This offensive paragraph reads "The 'Proletarian Party' is thinking of trying to have a youth league. But, writes A. S., it's only a change of name. Politically they're that already."

We are afraid Comrade Kirby's remark misses the entire significance of the role of the youth in the last two decades. His remark, probably intended as a joke, is entirely unjustified praise for the Proletarian Party. The youth have played decisive roles both for the revolution as well as for the counter-revolution. Every serious student of the World War, the Russian Revolution, the Italian and German Fascist movements, will understand that very easily. The argument against this might be that the Youth have played de-

cisive roles, but did not always think clearly. Did adults think clearly? Wasn't it the "mature" politicians who have lead us from one disaster in to another?

In other words, the question is not and can never be the "backwardness" of the Youth as against the "wisdom" of adults. It is a class question. Revolutionary young workers and adults against counter-revolutionary reactionaries. Even in writing humor, there is no call for loose language or thinking.

THINK SHARPLY! A third example of loose writing is an error in fact contained in the front page leading story on the election campaign. Here the impression is left that the required number of signatures to put the Party on the ballot is 23,500. This is an error. Only 14,449 are required to put the CP on the ballot. We are campaigning for 23,500 because we are handing in 9,000 extra so that the capitalist politicians will have no excuse to evade putting the CP on the ballot. The danger of saying we must have 23,500 to put the Party on the ballot is that the election officials might try to use a shortage of several hundred signatures to take us off. And justify their action by an admission by ourselves that "23,500 must be in and notarized if the workers are to have a ticket."

It is important to think and write more sharply so that we do not approximate the correct view and facts in our writing, but that we are exact.





PICTURE OF A DAUGHTER OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION OFFICIALLY WELCOMING THE SOVIET AMBASSADOR.

The D. A. R. haven't recovered yet from the shock they got when Ambassador Trotsky and his wife accepted their invitation to the party they invited them to at Constitution Hall. And so the usual fireworks that the resolutions committee turns on every year against Communism fizzled out in silence and disappointment.

#### BRIGHT SAVINGS OF CAPITALISM:

By United Press  
GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., April 2.—Harry T. Champion, city chemist, on the alert to save taxpayers' money, has ordered employees in the laboratory at the city's filtration plant to use burned match sticks instead of matches in lighting gas burners used in their work.  
Mr. Champion has discovered that by dipping the match sticks into alcohol reclaimed from pot still liquor tests and then into chromic acid a quick flame is obtained and the city saves the cost of a match.

Jesus Nino, famous Mexican forger, died and many are surprised to hear that he had no arms. That's nothing, the worst forgers of Anti-Soviet slanders, from Essler's pals down, have got no legs to stand on.

WRITE YOUR OWN CAPTION:  
STILLWATER, Okla. — Oklahoma A. & M. college is conducting a course for CCC workers stationed here on how to cook, order and eat meals.

Says S. M.:  
"Sinclair's EPIC stand for his E-conomic, P-olitical and I-ntellectual. C-onfusion."

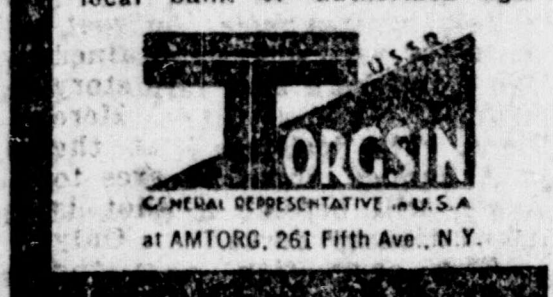
A worker was standing on Frisco's Market St. last Monday when the police came by in parade, leading some of their old worn out horses to the ferry to be shipped off to a farm. One plug slipped and fell and they put him in an ambulance with a big sign "Be Kind To Animals" on it. "Wasn't that sweet?" said a fat lady, so overcome with emotion, that she spoke to the stranger beside her.  
"Yeah," answered the worker. "And you see that other policeman leading the next horse so tenderly?"  
"Yes."  
"Well, he's the one who clubbed him out of me at a demonstration of the unemployed."

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## Gallagher, Wright Tour for Thaelman Scottsboro Defense

NAZI FRAMEUP OF GERMAN COMMUNIST LEADER BEING PREPARED

SAN FRANCISCO, April 23.—Workers organizations along the coast are preparing to make the meetings held for Leo Gallagher, internationally famous lawyer of the I. L. D., and Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro Negro boys, into great rallying points for the fight for Thaelman and Torgler, German Communist Party leaders, and for Theo. Jordan, and for the Scottsboro boys.

In this city the mass meeting, at which Gallagher will report on the attempted frame-up of Dimitroff, Torgler, Popoff and Tanoff, charges of firing the Reichstag, will be held at the Dreamland Auditorium, Saturday May 19. This is the biggest auditorium available that night but an overflow crowd will be present to hear Gallagher and also Mother Wright. As in their other meetings on this nationwide tour, all proceeds will go to the victims of Austrian fascism, and to the International Labor Defense for the Scottsboro fight.

In Portland, Ore., they will speak May 12.

In Germany the same formula which the Nazis attempted to apply to the Reichstag fire trial—the idea that the trial is an "inner-German affair"—has been applied to the Thaelman case when Dr. Diehlis, chief of the Prussian Secret Police, sneeringly refused to allow the delegation of the International Judicial Association, Dr. Cordes, to see Thaelman and report to the anxiously waiting workers of the world on Thaelman's condition, and where he is being held.

The same world-wide protest that forced acquittal for the four Communists in the Reichstag fire trial is being mustered behind the "Free Thaelman" movement. But the Nazis are more determined than ever to make up for their defeat in the "arson" trial by pulling through the execution of Thaelman.

In preparation for the trial, George Schwarz, expelled from the German C. P. in 1928 for espionage, and since then simultaneously in the service of the Essen Political Police and the French secret police; August Tass, another expelled police agent, plus a number of Hamburg hotel owners have been assembled as Nazi "witnesses." The Nazis hope to stage the frame-up trial and sentence Thaelman behind closed doors.

A light on what Nazi trials are shed by the secret report of Captain Roehm, moral head of the Berlin Storm Troops in the following directive to the Nazi troops: "I am ready to protect and will gladly take the responsibility for every activity of the storm troop members, even if this activity does not correspond to the law, but serves nevertheless the particular aims of the storm detachments. For instance, as punishment for the murder of one Storm Trooper UP TO 12 MEMBERS OF THE ENEMY ORGANIZATION CAN BE CONDEMNED TO DEATH." This court is formed by the Storm Troopers. Sentence is immediately passed and carried out in military fashion.

### Volume of Torgsin Orders Increases

Sending of Torgsin orders by Americans to relatives and friends in the Soviet Union has grown steadily in the past few years, according to Mr. A. Mintz, assistant general representative in the United States of Torgsin (State Corporation for Trade with Foreigners). Several thousand banks and other agencies in the U. S. A. accept Torgsin orders for transmission to the U. S. S. R.

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## The Case of the Stool Ray Gogin

STOCKTON, Cal., Apr. 20.—

Ray Gogin, expelled from the Communist Party, has been released from jail by the police, given a new outfit of clothes and money and a train ticket in exchange for a statement denouncing the Communist Party and the International Labor Defense.

He had been jailed following a demonstration at the soup kitchen.

Gogin, who was occasionally active in the workers movement when he could take a spectacular leader's part, was willing after being jailed to stoop to any lie to discredit the movement he pretended to serve. He stated that the comrades did not visit him in jail, nor provide him bail, whereas the truth was that he was visited so often and given so much food, fruit and tobacco that he did not eat any of the prison fare during his stay and on the very day of his statement a delegation of four workers organizations from San Francisco and Stockton visited him and told him he had lots of food and visitors every day they were allowed.

The high bail of \$10,000 set on him was raised by the I.L.D. but they did not post it when it was evident that Gogin intended to jump the bail so as to make it difficult for funds to be raised for any future arrested workers. An additional \$100 was spent on his appeal and for protest wires, etc., demanding his freedom.

During his time in prison, Gogin was in regular and close touch with the district attorney and police chief and gave them all the information he could of the Communist Party in Stockton and throughout the state. The statement he wrote for them was published in the local capitalist press in an effort to discredit the Party and I.L.D.

Gogin, who is reported going east, is to continue his stool-pie work, the police who do not trust even their stools, having his parole over his head as a club to remind him of his service to them.

## Longshoremen

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severe attack any further. Most of the men now see clearly from this that Lewis must be taking orders from Seabey Peterson's funk Boyce.

Lewis is building strong arm squads to try to put over his sellout by terror.

The negotiations are continuing behind closed doors between the shipowners and the board of five that the McNulty-Lewis machine railroad through at the last meeting. In direct opposition to the decision of the recent coastwide convention, the five are discussing hours, wages and conditions for each port separately instead of for the whole coast as one, hoping to put over the sellout in San Francisco and then, because this local is looked up to as leader by the other locals, force it down the throats of the other ports one by one. Pedro Pete is on tour of the locals trying to put this over, lying to the other locals that San Francisco has already accepted the sellout agreement.

## Hazel Staley

The Fillmore Section of the Communist Party at its last section meeting has decided to give Hazel Staley, formerly section organizational secretary one week's time to appear and settle up all matters including financial accounts, otherwise she will be expelled and considered as a renegade.

Section Com. Fillmore.

## S. F. May Day

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groups from large factories.

"Down Tools on May First" heads the list of slogans. Others are "Demand Federal Unemployment Insurance, Pass Bill H. R. 7598", "For a Workers and Farmers Government", "For Public Works Jobs", "For Payment of the Bonus", "Organize, Strike and Picket for Higher Wages", "Down with the Anti-Picketing Laws", "Down With Fascism and Capitalist War".

In addition to open air demonstrations, a large number of parades are scheduled and many of the strikers and their families will experience their first workers' parade.

Hearst Campaign.

Fearing the large mobilization for May First, and hoping to incite anti-Communist sentiment among the workers during the demonstrations, the Hearst papers have launched a campaign of lies, claiming to have discovered a Communist bomb plot.

Nailing these charges, Sam Darcy, District Organizer of the Communist Party in California, issued the following statement: "William Randolph Hearst and his reactionary machine are fostering a fascist organization in the United States and especially in California, and hope to baptize it with the blood of persecuted workers before May 1st. In this unholy crusade, he has the help of the State officials, particularly the ambitious publicity-seeker, Clarence S. Morrill, Chief of the State Division of Criminal Identification.

"Especially malicious and untrue is the story concerning the 'plan to use dynamite in the May Day demonstration' this year. If these self-styled experts on Communism, who hold well-paying government positions are really experts, they know the Communist Party stands against the use of terrorism and individual or group acts of terror. Both the Hearst press stories, as well as the statement issued by Chief Morrill and Red Squad man, Engler of San Francisco, can only be understood as preparation for a new series of raids and other acts of persecution against the workers' organizations. The alleged discoveries with their ridiculous inventions, about 'Red Star' men, 'Agents prop', and 'inner circles' are obviously aiming to psychologize the people to passively accept their projected onslaught against workers who are fighting the Hearst-Rolph machine in order to improve their conditions. If these gentlemen think that this persecution will stop the efforts of the Communist Party to organize the workers for better conditions, they are sadly mistaken. Not only will the Communist Party proceed with its activities to organize the city and rural workers of California, but is preparing to enter a Communist Party ticket in the coming gubernatorial elections."

## California State Congress Against War and Fascism

Polk Hall, Civic Center, S. F.

Sunday Eve'g., April 29th, 8 p. m.

SPEAKERS INCLUDE:

JAMES LATHAM, Los Angeles League Against War & Fascism.

J. DELANEY SCHOMAKER, International Longshoreman.

DR. PAUL RADIN, Artists and Writers Union.

JAMES BRANCH, Communist Party.

REV. EDGAR A. LOWTHER, Church Federation of S. F.

BE SURE TO ATTEND!!

## Northwest Lumber Workers Striking in Many Camps

PORT ANGELES, Wash., Apr. 17.—Led by the National Lumber Workers Union, lumber workers in many parts of the northwest are striking for better conditions.

At the Tidewater camp a raise in wages was guaranteed, but when the men returned to work the bosses refused to take back the strike leaders. Fighting this discrimination, the fallers and buckers are still out, calling on the riggers and other workers to join them. The workers in the Popejoy Camp have called on the National Lumber Workers Union to help them in their strike.

The buckers and fallers of the Phoenix Logging Company at Postlatch walked out March 30, demanding recognition of the union, new scalers, new fliers and no discrimination. Two camps, one at Verona, Oregon, and one at Kelso, Washington, were locked out when the men demanded a raise. Those camps were organized 85% AF of L. and as AF of L. officials are doing nothing for them, the workers have called on the National Lumber Workers Union for assistance.

More than \$10,000 has been raised for relief to date, and a day is spent on food for the strikers and their families. All relief is in the hands of the Workers International Relief. Donations should be sent to 318 Cordova St., West Vancouver.

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tarian discipline of the demonstration, the strikers furnished no provocation to the police, and they were reluctantly forced to let the demonstration proceed in a peaceful way. The police are straining at the leash, and Chief Hollahan told the capitalist press "We can't do anything until they start something, but if they do start something, we'll go into action."

Fight 75% Cut.

The demonstration was caused not only by the seventy-five percent cut in family relief but also by the action of the Board of Supervisors in taking away from the Unemployed Council the right to distribute relief directly to the unemployed. Hundreds of workers who had been cheated by the grafters in charge of distributing relief had demanded that they should be transferred to the Unemployed Councils list, and when the strawberry strike broke out, the fear that they would not be able to force those in their general desire to deprive the unemployed of their right to administer their own relief.

After Nora Conkling, spokesman for the Unemployed Councils, had demanded immediate distribution of adequate relief without discrimination, stopping of evictions and shut-offs, restoration and expansion of CWA at union scales, endorsement of HR 7598, the Workers Unemployment Insurance bill, and an elected representative of the workers to meet with the welfare board, there was a deaf silence. Finally, Supervisor Napes, now up for recall, after Comrade Conkling had ridiculed the wavering of the board, reluctantly moved to deny all demands. The rest of the Supervisors were even more frightened by the militancy of the crowd, and nobody would second it. Finally it was moved and seconded that the demands would be "reconsidered" at the next meeting.

The local papers have been trying to confuse the workers by printing several different addresses of the Unemployed Councils. The correct address is 429 Jay street, and this is NOT the headquarters of the Communist Party, as the Bee and the Union are trying to make the workers believe.

The Bee and the Union have been trying to minimize the heroism of the demonstration by saying that there were 200 demonstrators and 2000 spectators, but the fact remains, that the entire crowd roared its support of the demand that the delegation should be heard, and the entire crowd, with the addition

## Watsonville Cops Again Try Frameup

WATSONVILLE, Cal., Apr. 18.—

A repetition of last year's frame-ups on vagrancy charges is again being used against the workers when they try to organize to improve their living conditions. Matt Remsen, who was framed-up last year and charged with vagrancy, was arrested again on the same charge on April 14. At the time of his arrest, he was distributing leaflets.

Remsen's bail was set at \$500 cash of a \$1000 property bond. The I.L.D. has raised the bail, and he is now awaiting a jury trial on May 1st.

This frame-up is aimed not only against the active organizers of labor, but against the entire workingclass. All workers' organizations are urged to send protests to Judge Miller Chandler and Chief of Police Graves, demanding the immediate and unconditional dismissal of the case.

—Watsonville Correspondent.

## Workers Defy Ban, Western Worker Is Sold in Pasadena

PASADENA, Cal., Apr. 17.—

With a militant display of class solidarity, workers today pushed the sale of the Western Worker and the Daily Worker on downtown street corners.

This action was carried out in spite of jail threats by Police Chief Charles "Dictator" Kelly, who had formerly revoked the license permitting the sale of workers' papers. The license was revoked because of the "seditious" nature of the publications, not for disorderly conduct, which is the only offense, according to local ordinances, for which it is possible to revoke such licenses.

Kelly's action was protested before the local board of directors, who passed the buck, by claiming that the granting of permits to sell periodicals was entirely at the discretion of Kelly. Then Kelly refused again to issue a license.

Yesterday a leaflet was issued by the Workers Press Committee, calling upon all workers to support the sale of the workers' papers. At 10 a. m. today, according to schedule, the papers were sold on the street corners. In a short time a uniformed lackey brought word to the vendors that Kelly would grant a permit. Comrades who circulated amongst the assembled workers pointed out that this was a direct result of mass action and Bolshevik tactics.

At the police station, however, Kelly refused a permit, but stated that vendors would be unmolested by police thugs. In a verbal battle between the leaders of the workers and Kelly, the "Dictator" came out a bad loser. Workers victoriously left the Hall of Injustice with new enthusiasm for active participation in the class struggle in Pasadena.

—R. L.

## Workers Jam Court

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til unconscious.

No sooner was he bailed out than robbery was charged against him by Mrs. Gonzales, who at Morgan's insistence that relief be provided Mrs. Velez that night had left \$2.00 with her, plus ten cents carfare. Morgan was then jailed once more and in court yesterday the case was held over for Superior Court.

of 2000 more, followed the delegation over to the Plaza to hear the report on the reply of the Council.

## ANNUAL MAY PICNIC

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and 1453 No. Vine St., Hollywood.

## WITH THE YOUNG WORKERS

Young Workers are Urged to Take Part in YCL Discussion

The YCL in District 13 has set itself the task of doubling its membership between now and June 15, the date when the National Convention will be held in New York. This task is set as the first step on the road to building the YCL into a real mass organization, with a membership larger than the Party.

How is this to be done?

The YCL members themselves accept the main responsibility for achieving this goal. But young workers in shops and factories, students in schools and universities, young workers in CCC camps and forced labor camps are urged to take part in the discussion on how this task can be accomplished.

Do workers in the shops read the Young Worker? What are the problems of the students? What is the reaction of students to the National Students' League? Can young workers in the factories be mobilized for sports? How can Fascist influence among the youth be combated? How can young workers and students be mobilized for National Youth Day?

Young workers and students, members of the Communist Party, members of the YCL and all sympathizers are urged to take part in the pre-convention discussion in the columns of the Western Worker on how to build the YCL into a mass organization. Discussion can be friendly or critical, but it should all be written to help the YCL overcome the obstacles towards its becoming a real mass organization.

Let the Western Worker be the medium through which you can contribute to the growth and activity of the Young Communist League!

## Phoenix Protest

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promotes company unionism. Following this admission, she stated that if workers refuse to join the union, they will be denied relief, but could not explain what she meant by "reasonable jobs". Probably she was thinking of CCC camps, and forced scabbing such as was used here during the cotton pickers' strike last year.

Tries Red Scare.

When Clay Naff, organizer of the Communist Party, took the floor, Miss Warner said, "I know you Communists. You're disruptors and malingerers." Then she proposed that she should deal with the rest of the workers, but not with any Communists. But the Chairman told her, "We workers do not think the Communists are disruptors or malingerers. We know that they are our leaders. The Communist Party is the cement that binds us together." Miss Warner, backed up by plain-clothes men in her office, refused to let Naff continue, although she was forced to agree that all members of the delegation should be informed of what had happened.

Following the interview, the workers marched to the Workers' Center, carrying banners, singing, and shouting slogans. There they gave the Committee a rousing vote of confidence, and made plans for the next action to be taken. April 20th was set as the date for another bigger demonstration before Miss Warner's office. At this time, special demands of the Negroes and the youth will be made. Already we have completely won one of our demands: all Phoenix school children are now given free hot lunches.

—Phoenix Worker.

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## VECHERINKA AND ENTER-

Anniversary of Biro-Bidjan, Sat., Apr. 28, 8 p. m. 1223 Fillmore St. Adm. 25c. Unemployed 5c with card. COME ONE — COME ALL!!

## CONCERT by Morning Freiheit

Conference, celebrating 12th Anniversary of Morning Freiheit, Fri., Apr. 27, 8 p. m. Franklin Hall, 1859 Fillmore St., Freiheit Gesangsverein, Dramastudio and Evelyn Lipson, pianist. Refreshments. Adm., 15c. Auspices City Committee, ICOR.

## SAVE THE DATE—Leo Gallagher, famous California International Labor Defense attorney and Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys will speak in San Francisco May 19th, Dreamland Auditorium, Post and Steiner Sts., S. F.

## BENEFIT DINNER FOR THE WESTERN WORKER

Valencia St., Sun., Apr. 29, from 2 to 6 p. m. Auspices C. P. Unit 5. Fine meal, 25c.

## NOTICE—Jugoslav Workers' Clubs

San Francisco, Oakland, Richmond, Mt. View and Watsonville hold their 11th ANNUAL PICNIC AND BAR-BECUE, Sunday, May 6, at Napredak Park, Cupertino, Cal. Benefit Workers Press. Adm. 25 cents.

## Los Angeles

YOUNG PIONEERS OF AMERICA present the World Premiere of "WORKER'S CHILD", and other attractions, Sat., Apr. 28, 8 p. m. at Los Angeles Cultural Center, 230 So. Spring St.

## LOS ANGELES WORKERS CELEBRATION

Annual May picnic, Sunday, April 29th at beautiful Royal Palms, San Pedro. Music, dancing, program, good food.

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## Editorial Column

### Why Bosses Fear May 1 - Why they Lie

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similar scheme, in their effort to beat back the great strike wave. In California they are alarmed because of the eight-fold increase in the Party membership since the beginning of the crisis, and that the Communists led more than 70,000 on strike during 1933 alone.

But the workingclass of the United States, has advanced tremendously since 1886, and has learned very much of the frame-up and provocative schemes employed by the bosses. In reply to this campaign of the American Fascists, the May First turnout will be greater than ever.

Workers, Small Farmers, and all sincere friends of the working people! Look back to more than a year's experience with the "New Deal", and what do you see?

#### Results of "New Deal"

The lot of the unemployed is more miserable than ever, as millions have been on a starvation diet for years and are seriously undernourished. The relief rolls in many cities have reached the highest figure since the beginning of the crisis (San Francisco, 63,500).

The speed-up developed in production is so great that even a decrease of the working day, will hardly effect the mass of unemployed, most of whom, according to government admission, are doomed to remain jobless.

Experience with NRA codes to date show that the minimum wage rates set have become the prevailing wage, ranging from \$12 to \$15 per week. But the cost of living, especially of food products and other necessities, is climbing further, beyond the reach of the small pay envelopes. Food price figures issued by the Bureau of Labor Statistics show an increase of from 16% to 25% in most large cities, over April 1933. The "Minimum Health and Decency Budgets" set by the government, amounting in various cities to from \$1,558 to \$1,988 per year, have long ago been forgotten.

Housing conditions for workers in the United States have deteriorated to among the worst in the world. In addition to overcrowding, a large percentage of the workers are forced to live in dilapidated tenements, which "legally" should have been condemned as unfit to live in.

Starvation, evictions, or being forced to double up with other families, breaks up hundreds of thousands of homes, and leads at least 300,000 youth to roam the highways.

The school system throughout the country has broken down. Two million eight hundred thousand children of school age are not able to attend. Two thousand rural schools in 24 states did not open their doors last autumn. Most schools made considerable cuts in their terms. School budgets were cut drastically while, interest to the bankers is paid promptly.

Suicides have reached a record rate. These are only some of the effects of the crisis and are in full bloom at this moment, more than a year since Roosevelt took office.

It is a downright falsehood that the "New Deal" aims to relieve these conditions.

CWA work was abolished, and the amount for the new work relief will only permit a starvation level. The National Labor Board created, is only for strikebreaking purposes. Increased war and government expenses mean an increase in taxes for the masses with small incomes. Measures, supposedly to aid the farmers, have only proven to be millions in the pockets of the landlords, mortgage sharks, and land companies.

#### Only Communists Lead Fight

Only the militant workingclass movement, under the leadership of the Communist Party has a program of resistance to this drive against the workers. It is therefore only the Communist Party, and the organizations it leads who will make May First into a day of struggle. We should take an example from the very movement which gave birth to May First.

May First was born in the United States in 1886 out of the general strike for the eight-hour day involving more than 500,000. It was the organization which later became known as the American Federation of Labor, that initiated that offensive which spread over the entire country, and that time the workers proved how militant they could be if not held back and betrayed by their leaders.

The bosses, seeing the advance of the fighting movement, resorted to a provocation through their agents, throwing a bomb into a demonstration at Haymarket Square which killed a police sergeant. A battle was provoked in which seven policemen and four workers were killed. The answer to the militancy of the workers was to frame-up its best leaders, many of whom were imprisoned, and four, Parsons, Spies, Fischer and Engel were condemned to the gallows.

#### May First, Fighting Day of Labor

The commemoration of these valiant fighters has since become a yearly clarion call to the exploited masses for militant struggle. But the AP of L leaders soon abandoned it and replaced it by "Labor Day" a day of collaboration with the bosses. These reactionaries maintained since 1890, has developed it to a point that at present they are the chief support for the drive against the workers.

The American workers have given May Day to the workingclass of the world. In 1889 at the International Socialist Congress, it was adopted as the International day of struggle. It has since spread to every corner of the globe. But as in the case of the AP of L, the Socialist International has become an instrument for betraying every struggle for the workers. Its leadership mobilized to support the imperialist war. It has given support to every move against the Soviet Union. It has proved itself the most effective instrument in the hands of the imperialists for combatting every attempt to set up a workers republic. The Socialist parties affiliated with it are among the most reliable supporters of their respective capitalist governments. As in the case of Germany or Austria, they tie the hands of the workers, while Fascism advances.

#### Only Communists Keep Fighting Tradition

Only the Communist Party has inherited and continues the fighting tradition of the American workers. The Communist Party reminds the workers that some of the most militant struggles in the world's labor history took place in the United States—Cripple Creek, Ludlow, Homestead, the Great Steel Strike, Gastonia, the Seattle General Strike, or more recently, the San Joaquin Cotton Strike, and the Imperial Valley Strike, are only some of the heroic battles. It is these struggles that have won more food for the workers families, better homes to live in, better clothing, and abolished some of the most inhuman means of exploitation.

The bankers, manufacturers, landlords, and large growers, who own everything in the U. S. would force us back to a pauper standard such as prevailed in those early days. For millions dependent on unemployment relief, working in agricultural fields, or in the southern industries this is actually the case now.

#### Raise Fight to Higher Level!

As in 1886 the workers now face the task of spreading the nation-wide struggle. Just as the strike wave in 1886 established an eight-hour day for hundreds of thousands, so now a wave of strikes and demonstrations can halt the Roosevelt drive, can win unemployment insurance, adequate relief, can stop the advance of fascism, prevent war, break down race discrimination, and win a decent living standard for the masses.

**AGRICULTURAL WORKERS!** For you May Day means a protest against the anti-strike laws adopted in many California counties. A fight against the 15 to 20 cents per hour wage, the contract system, the unsanitary conditions in the camps, for the right to organize in your own Cannery & Agricultural Workers Industrial Union, for the right to relief, and for enough wages to give your family at least a decent standard of living.

**MARINE WORKERS!** For you May Day means to demonstrate against the boss controlled company unions, such as the "Blue Book", against the latest shipowners slave code, for hiring through your own unions, abolition of the Pink Halls, and against the strikebreaking Arbitration Board. A powerful May Day demonstration on the waterfronts along the entire coast will be the best way to show that you are determined to face the shipowners as a unit. It will be a blow against the fakery in your organizations who are trying to split you up and sell you out.

**RAILROAD WORKERS!** A large turnout of railroad workers on May Day will be the best way to show that you want a united trade union including all crafts in the industry, as the only effective weapon to win back the wage cuts, and establish real unionization in place of the present disorganized weak union controlled by high salaried officials, or company unions. It will be for the Railroad Unity Movement.

**WORKERS IN ALL INDUSTRIES! UNEMPLOYED! Negro, Mexican, Filipino, Japanese, Chinese workers! Young workers. Women workers!** The May Day Demonstration will be for your immediate needs. Come out with the banners that call for your special demands!

Your needs will be voiced by your own speakers!

Make May First a United Front!

Only in that way will we be able to call a halt to the offensive against us!

Only this can be an answer to the Fascist provocations!

### "ALL OUT!! ONTO THE STREETS MAY FIRST!"



## Our Party Convention - - An Inspiration to the Working Class of the United States

By George Morris

### Put Convention Decisions Into Life!

The 8th Convention of our Party, held in Cleveland April 3-8, marked an important historic moment.

It summarized the progress and experience of the revolutionary movement since the 7th convention, which covers approximately four years of the crisis. But most important of all—the convention was a dramatic demonstration of the fact that the Party developed to a point that it is really beginning to make the turn towards becoming a mass Communist Party.

The most striking feature at the convention was that the bulk of the delegates were actual leaders or participants in struggles, especially those which took place since the advent of the "new deal".

Most came directly from the shops, and are less than two years in the Party. Hundreds of those at the convention were evidence how the revolutionary movement in the United States has promoted new forces into the ranks of the vanguard.

In contrast to previous conventions of our Party, the majority are native born, and came into our ranks through struggles, out of the very heart of the American workingclass.

FACTORY, MASS WORK—MAIN AIM.

The character and conduct of the convention should leave no doubt that the central task it set for itself, was to continue the line of the Open Letter adopted six months ago, to most sharply shift the work of the Party to large factories especially those in the basic industries. There was a definite reason, therefore, for making the decision to send a delegation in selecting speakers should have 80% shop workers. The object was to make the convention reflect the best experiences in the building of Party shop units, unions, and development of strike struggles. This is precisely the chief accomplishment of the convention.

To obtain a picture of the condition of our Party and its tasks in face of the present situation, one cannot do better than to read Comrade Browder's fine report. It is the most thorough made at any of our Party meetings and reflects that the process of bolshevization within our Party has made considerable progress.

The report should be utilized as a hand book in which an answer will be found to the chief questions facing us.

ENTHUSIASM, MILITANCY.

The convention was undoubtedly the most enthusiastic gathering that American labor history records. The joy, cheering, and applause that sprang from every delegate there, was a reflection of a rising workingclass full of vigor, militancy and determination, realizing more and more that it is headed for power—towards a Soviet America.

There was plenty to be joyful about, although the convention did not overlook the many shortcomings in our work, and the fact that our Party in most parts is still weak and isolated from the main mass of workers. Compared with the period of the 7th convention, our Party has tripled its membership, shop units in large factories have increased, the revolutionary unions have grown, and we have led many strikes.

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The report of the Communist Party convention by Comrade Morris, printed in this issue will be followed with further material on the convention decisions which must now become the property of thousands in our district if they are to be put into life.

Next week the plan of work adopted at our district convention will be printed.

In the meantime all thinking workers should avail themselves of the report of Comrade Browder to the convention, which was printed in the Saturday, April 14th issue of the Daily Worker, soon to be printed in pamphlet form.

The figures show that TUUL unions also having less than 5% of the membership led 20% of those on strike, and has made relatively greater gains than any of the other unions, from 25,000 to 125,000.

The organized strength around the Party, the members of the many mass organizations it leads, allowing for duplication in membership is at present 500,000.

During the 7th convention of our Party the figure did not exceed 300,000. However it must be recognized that the quality of this organized support is on a much higher level, since most have been led by the Party during a period of most intense struggle.

GAINS ACCELERATE.

But what is most important, in considering these gains is that the sharpest upward trend was during the last six months—since the open letter. The convention felt that the Party is on the correct path, that is why an outburst of cheering greeted every speaker who told how in his shop, mine, mill or field, the party's influence, leadership and a unit was established. All decisions were made in the line of the open letter, and that in order to grow the Communist unit in the shop must not fear to come out boldly with the party program. Cries that the Party face should be hidden, or camouflaged, are opportunist and only isolate us from the workers. The welfare of the workers in the shop depends upon the alertness and guidance of the Communists, who must mercilessly expose all forms of fakery and trickery. Overlooking the enemies among the workers, be they Socialists or AP of L, for the sake of showing that some "unity" is giving objective support to betrayals of the workers' interests. We must be more bold in recruiting workers into the shop unit, and not fear that most cannot be trusted. Communists should not be at the tail end, and wait until something happens in order to become active, but should be the very ones to make things happen on the basis of grievances in the shops. Sometimes these grievances may be very small, but the workers' key to our winning leadership over the workers.

Excellent examples were likewise given for advancing the work of our 1,482 street units. They too must come out boldly to establish Communist leadership in neighborhoods. Such units, to become a political factor in the neighborhoods, should be the driving force for the organization of workers clubs, cultural activity, relief struggles, and similar bridges between themselves and thousands of workers.

FOR INDEPENDENT FEDERATION.

Among the important achievements of the convention, was a much clearer trade union policy. It was pointed out that the Trade Union Unity League, and the opposition groups within the AP of L, are the chief factor in forcing the resistance against the NRA drive on the workers' living standards. The other important factor is the Independent unions which together with the TUUL led as many on strike in 1933 as the AP of L, which has more than 85% of the organization.

The independent unions are in the main results of a revolt against the AP of L, although they are not revolutionary unions. The convention approved the policy of unifying the TUUL and independent unions into one Unified Federation of Labor.

Led in New Members

2,500,000 450,000 500,000

250,000 250,000 150,000

125,000 250,000 100,000

Unorganized . . . . . 100,000

TOTAL . . . . . 2,875,000 1,000,000 750,000

By Dave Lyon

Upton Sinclair, like many others before him, is asking the workers to elect him to office because, he says, he is their "friend".

Pre-election promises are always cheap. But there are burning issues—there are struggles which the workers are fighting. TODAY, What is Sinclair actually DOING for the workers in their struggle against HUNGER, TERROR AND WAR?

The fight for adequate cash relief, against evictions, shut-offs, and for real unemployment insurance is of overwhelming importance to the vast numbers who are slowly starving on relief. The demobilization of CWA work has been the signal for concerted attempts to cut DOWN the starvation level of relief still further. The Communist Party has organized and led huge mass demonstrations fighting for more relief, and for HR7598, the real workers' unemployment insurance bill.

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